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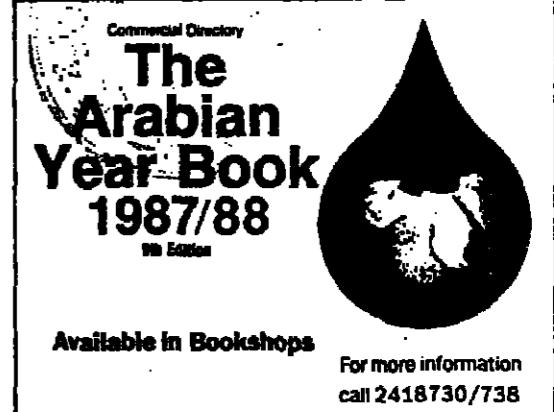
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ANNOUNCEMENT
WATCH out for Arab
Times Supplement
on Kuwait's National
Day. The supplement
will appear
tomorrow.

Iraq asks Iran to accept arbitration

BAGHDAD, Feb 22, (Agencies): Iraqi Defence Minister Adnan Khairallah today challenged Iran to accept international arbitration on who started the Gulf war.

In remarks quoted in the Defence Ministry newspaper Alqadissiya, Khairallah said that Tehran — which refuses to accept a UN-ordered ceasefire until Baghdad is declared the aggressor — wants to continue the war in the hopes of gaining compensation.

"If Iran is confident that Iraq is the aggressor, why doesn't it accept arbitration?"

"(Because) its rulers know that if they go to the international courts, they will be condemned."

Inevitable

In Beijing, Iraq's Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said all five permanent members of the UN Security Council support an arms embargo against Iran and a ban is inevitable.

"Nobody, including China, disagrees that a second resolution has to be taken," Tareq Aziz said, referring to last July's United Nations resolution ordering a ceasefire in the seven-year Iran-Iraq war.

Tareq Aziz, told reporters the five permanent members were preparing an enforcement resolution that would impose an arms embargo but there was disagreement on timing.

His remarks followed a meeting with Chinese Premier Li Peng, who was quoted by the official New China News Agency as saying that Beijing is joining the UN Security Council in discussing follow-up actions to the ceasefire resolution.

Indian President lashes out at Pakistan

NEW DELHI, Feb 22, (Reuters): Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman charged today that Pakistan is helping terrorists and secessionists in India as well as continuing secret efforts to acquire nuclear weapons.

And while noting progress in relations with the United States, he spoke of "the seriousness of our concern about the supply of armaments to Pakistan notwithstanding that country's relentless pursuit of nuclear weapons."

Speaking before both houses of Parliament at the start of the annual budget session, Venkataraman, 77, gave a "State of the Nation" address ranging widely over problems facing India.

"The foremost task is to crush terrorism and isolate the secessionists," he said, referring to violence in Punjab and the northeastern state of Tripura. "There can and will be no compromise over the nation's integrity and unity."

Assist

He spoke of India's hopes of promoting trust and friendship with Pakistan, but added: "Unfortunately our efforts in this direction have been hampered, and many of our initiatives thwarted."

Pakistan continues its clandestine efforts to acquire nuclear weapons. They also continue to assist terrorist and secessionist elements in India.

"Is this the path of friendship and cooperation?" the President asked.

India accuses Pakistan of training and arming Sikh separatists in Punjab and the two countries have in recent months

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HH the Amir waves to the crowd after opening the Waterfront Project.

Amir opens Waterfront Project

A SEAFRONT park extending along 21 km (13 miles) of Kuwait's coast was formally opened yesterday by HH the Amir.

White beaches, tree-lined walks, an open-air theatre and a man-made island have replaced

rocks and mud flats on the city shore.

The Waterfront Project, completed in six years at a cost of KD\$2 million, also includes children's games, swimming pools, cafes and a marina.

It was opened as part of

Kuwait's celebrations this week marking 27 years of independence.

The inauguration ceremony was also attended by HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullatif and other ministers.

US warship fires at fishing boats

MANAMA, Feb 22, (Agencies): An American amphibious assault ship fired flares and machine gun warning shots today at two fishing crafts it mistook for Iranian speedboats, US officials said.

The incident off the United Arab Emirates in the southern Gulf was second time that an American warship protecting merchant shipping in the Gulf misidentified and fired toward fishing vessel at the southern end of the 550-mile waterway.

Gunners aboard the guided missile frigate USS Carr fired on a fishing boat last December that it mistook for an attacking Iranian speedboat. An Indian crewman was killed.

Assault

The two fishing vessels closed on the port of the USS Trenton, an amphibious assault ship, today while it was steaming 30 miles off the UAE port of Dubai, said Col David Titus, spokesman for the US Central Command.

The Trenton, accompanied by the frigate John Moore, misiden-

tified the fishing craft as Swedish-built speedboats used by Iran to stage attacks on merchant vessels in the southern Gulf, Titus said.

After issuing radio warnings that went unheeded, the Trenton fired flares and warning shots from a .50 calibre deck machine gun when the fishing craft closed to within 3,000 yards, Titus said.

"They issued the radio warnings but there was no exchange," Titus said. "The warnings were not heeded."

The boats stopped after the shooting, turned and headed off toward the northeast. A helicopter from the Trenton identified the craft as fishing vessels and determined they were not hit by the gunfire, Titus said.

"The fire did not impact in any way or do any damage to the boats," Titus said.

Titus said it was not clear why the vessel initially identified the fishing boats as Iranian craft. Most of the Gulf was stricken with heavy rains and poor visibility today.

THE two manned aircraft built wholly in Iran.

"All phases of design and manufacture of the complex parts of this aircraft have been carried out by the air industries project of the ministry of Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC)," it said, adding that mass production was planned.

Jewish soldiers using excessive force

Israel will stay put, vows Shamir

TEL AVIV, Feb 22, (Agencies): Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir vowed today to resist pressure to withdraw from occupied Arab territories as new evidence emerged of excessive use of force by soldiers against civilians.

Addressing the parliamentary defence and foreign affairs committee three days before US Secretary of State George Shultz arrives in Israel with new peace proposals, Shamir said:

"Israel will not adopt a decision to withdraw, even under pressure. Where in the world is there a state that would give up its land so easily. Other countries would laugh at the very idea."

On a quiet day in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, Israel's Attorney-General

Yosef Harish said his office was being inundated by reports of soldiers illegally beating up Arabs during the 10-week Palestinian uprising.

Incidents

"I have checked and found out that the number of complaints raises the suspicion that classifying these incidents as exceptions no longer reflects the reality," Harish said in a letter to Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Harish, in his letter, said Israeli soldiers were forbidden to use force to punish or humiliate Arab protesters.

But youths in Nablus Hospital on the West Bank said how soldiers picked them up in night raids on their villages and severely beat them.

No new fatalities were reported in the territories today, but the Army said troops shot and

First they hit me with a stick in the head. I called for my mother. No one heard and they continued to hit me with a stick on the front of my body," said Talal Abdulla Yusef Abu Samour, 22, who suffered severe bruises to his face.

Said Sudki Muhammad Zaid, 16, told how he was taken from his aunt's house last evening and beaten on the way to a nearby prison and again when he arrived. He was released after four hours' detention.

Beaten

"They hit me and I fell on the ground and they started to hit me. When I fell asleep, they hit me again," he said.

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In Gaza, Palestinian sources said 12 youths needed hospital treatment after beatings by troops. An Army spokesman said he knew nothing about any beatings.

An Army survey made public today revealed that 70 percent of Israel's soldiers were angry and frustrated by the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories.

Chief Army psychologist Colonel Shlomo Dover told Israel Radio most soldiers still believed they should serve in the

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Financial Times lauds Amir

Kuwait's diplomacy highly flexible

LONDON, Feb 22, (Kuna): An influential British newspaper, the Financial Times, published today a four-page survey on Kuwait which paid tribute to the Arab Gulf country's "ever-active and highly flexible diplomacy."

The paper stressed that Kuwait enshrines the principles of non-alignment in its relations with the superpowers and the Arab country also opposes external interventions in the Gulf region.

Kuwait pursues a policy based on the development of the widest possible range of links with other countries.

The Financial Times said these policies have been carried out for the last 25 years with sophistication and Kuwait "strives to invite multiple Arab interests in its revenues and as such assure its independence."

Diplomacy

The daily also singled out Kuwait's outspoken support for the Palestinian cause and noted that "HH the Amir of Kuwait has given as strong backing to the current spontaneous uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip as any other Arab leader."

The paper praised Kuwait's shrewd diplomacy over the last 12 months" in the wake of the escalation in the Iran-Iraq war.

Kuwait has succeeded in attracting world attention and "Kuwaitis feel they now have a breathing space," it pointed out.

Meanwhile, the supplement highlighted the stability restored to the Kuwaiti economy and its banking system and it also touched on defence and the stock exchange.

Turning to the oil sector, the paper spoke in detail about Kuwait's ambitious strategy of integrating its oil industry.

Assets

It also underscored that Kuwait is already much further advanced down the road of integration than any other OPEC producer, with the possible exception of Venezuela.

The daily referred to the activities of the Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) which was set up in 1980 to bring together all oil and oil-related activities under one umbrella.

Among its assets are

3 years for distributing leaflets

THE State Security Court sentenced a 31-year-old Kuwaiti yesterday to three years in jail at hard labour for distributing leaflets calling for the government's overthrow.

Ismail Sayed Hassan Sayed Ali Akbar was convicted of urging in public the overthrow of the ruling system by force and of defaming HH the Amir.

Several Kuwaitis, believed to be pro-Iranian militants, have been convicted over the past for subversion and bombings at oil installations.

Diplomats say the militants seek an Iranian-style Islamic revolution in Kuwait.

Saudis deny ban imposed on Pakistanis

RIYADH, Feb 22, (Kuna): Saudi Arabia last night denied reports published recently by the daily "Times of India" that the kingdom has banned the entry of Pakistanis, and stopped importing labour from Pakistan.

The reports claimed that the step was taken as a precautionary measure against any troubles that might erupt during the hajj season. The daily also said that Pakistani soldiers were sent home from Saudi Arabia for similar reasons.

A Saudi official source strongly denied the report and termed it absolutely baseless.

The official said the two countries have historic relations, which will not be affected by such "fabricated stories."

The source added that the Pakistani troops returned from Saudi Arabia as the term of their mission had ended.

Webb resigns

WASHINGTON, Feb 22, (Reuters): US Navy Secretary James Webb resigned today with a blast at Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci's budget-cutting decision to postpone plans for a 600-ship American Navy by the end of 1989.

DAY BY DAY

ONE of the problems with the Kuwait Stock Exchange is the way it is managed. For example, if you discover that a company is going strong and wish to buy shares, you will find that you are unable to offer a good enough price to attract shareholders to sell. This is because the management fixes share prices in the morning and evening.

This, of course, means that buyers are unable to offer reasonable prices to shareholders and results in a continuous drop in prices.

This method of management in Kuwait's stock market needs to be changed and the Minister of Commerce is the man who knows about such matters.

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INTERNATIONAL

Mahathir kicks out rivals

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 22. (Reuters): Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohamad, who successfully ward off challenges after his party was declared illegal, has dropped all rivals from the leadership of his new party.

Mahathir announced the line-up for the new United Malays National Organisation after he chaired its first supreme council meeting on Sunday night.

Eight of the previous supreme council members loyal to Mahathir's rivals, former Trade and Industry Minister Razaleigh Hamzah and former Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Musa Hitam, were removed from the 34-member decision-making body.

Mahathir promoted those loyal to him in the party and retained his aides as leaders in the new party.

He said last Tuesday when Umno Baru (New Umno) was accepted as head of Malaysia's 13-party ruling Nationalist Front coalition that the criterion for membership admission was loyalty to the party.

His original 42-year-old Malay party, Umno, was ruled to be illegal early this month in a suit brought by 11 dissident members loyal to Razaleigh.

The judgement threw Malaysian politics into confusion.

Malaysia's first Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, and Razaleigh's aides announced plans to set up a new party to revive the old Umno four days after the ruling.

Mahathir's position as leader of the party and government was questioned.

But last Tuesday Mahathir, who as home minister has the final say in the registration of parties and societies, said Umno Baru had been formed and the application by the Tunku to set up a party had not been approved.

Another secret

NEW YORK, Feb 22. (AP): A woman who 12 years ago disclosed having an affair with President John F. Kennedy in the White House says her terminal cancer led her to admit another secret, that she was a conduit between him and the mafia.



● Rescue workers carry a wounded person to a medical aid centre as they walk through a flooded street in Rio de Janeiro where heavy rains played havoc. (Reuters wirephoto)

Filipinos mark 'revolution' day

MANILA, Feb 22. (UPI): Filipinos marked the second anniversary today of the beginning of the "people power" revolt that toppled former ruler Ferdinand Marcos, while authorities hunted some of the heroes of the rebellion who later turned against President Corazon Aquino.

Defence Secretary Fidel Ramos laid a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Fort Bonifacio Army camp in low-key ceremonies commemorating the start of the Feb 22-25, 1986, revolution. Ramos, then a lieutenant general, and former Defence Minister Juan Ponce Enrile set the revolt in motion Feb 22 when they announced they were breaking from Marcos.

Supporters of the Reform the Armed Forces Movement, or RAM, which provided the backbone of the Ramos-Enrile uprising, scheduled a Roman Catholic mass at suburban Camp Aguirre.

The anniversary of the revolution will be officially observed Thursday to commemorate Aquino's inauguration as President and Marcos's flight into Hawaiian exile after 20 years in power.

Manila now world capital for fake passports

Armed forces chief Lt. Gen. Renato De Villa has placed the 159,000-member military on red alert — the maximum state of readiness — against possible attempts by the communist New People's Army to disrupt the celebrations.

Rumours
Manila newspapers said today the alert was prompted by rumours of a coup attempt by rightist forces and Marcos supporters, but military spokesmen said they have no information on the report.

Authorities were hunting today for key RAM leaders implicated in the murders of leftist politician Rolando Olalia and his driver in November 1986 amid an apparent destabilisation campaign on bombings and terrorism.

Those being sought were Air Force Lt. Col. Eduardo (Red) Kapunan and Army Lt. Col. Oscar Legaspi, who both served on the staff of Enrile before he was sacked on Nov 24, 1986, following a failed coup bid involving his key aides.

Also implicated in the murders were Enrile's former think-tank chief, Navy Capt. Rex Robles, and at least six sergeants and a junior officer.

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Kidnappers release videotape**Higgins spells out price for freedom**

BEIRUT, Feb 22. (Reuters): American Colonel William Higgins, in a videotape released by his kidnappers, spelled out the price for his freedom including an end to Washington's involvement in the Middle East.

"In order to get me released the demands have to be met," said a gloomy-looking Higgins, 43, a Marine lieutenant-colonel who headed the Lebanon unit of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation (Untso).

Apparently reading a text, Higgins said his abductors also demanded the withdrawal of Israeli forces from occupied Arab territories and the release of detained Lebanese and Palestinian mujahideen (strugglers) from Israeli jails.

Higgins said his captors demanded the United States end its involvement in Lebanon and stop dispatching delegations to the Middle East "to surround the gains of the Islamic revolution in occupied Palestine."

Higgins appeared dejected but spoke confidently. He was unshaven and dressed in a dark green sweater.

The good quality videotape, delivered to an international news agency in West Beirut, was accompanied by a statement.

"We call on our brothers in Amal to understand the dangerous spying role Higgins was carrying out, profiting from the mission of the international observers," the pro-Iranian group said.

The Iranian-backed Hezbollah, often suspected of links to

hostage-taking in Lebanon, has voiced support for the kidnappers of Higgins.

Amal, Lebanon's largest Muslim militia, launched a hunt for him in the Tyre area. On Friday it stormed hideouts of the Hezbollah and detained several people, including at least 10 Hezbollah members.

UN troops and heavily armed Amal militiamen on Sunday maintained checkpoints in their hunt for Higgins but there were no reports of further arrests, security sources said.

The search heightened tension in the south and in the Bekaa Valley between Amal and Hezbollah, rivals for the support of Lebanon's Shiites.

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Support

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the tape by the time Shevardnadze arrived in Washington next month.

These were a draft protocol on inspections, a draft protocol on conversion and elimination of strategic weapons, and a memorandum on the exchange of data.

The Secretary of State indicated there had been little headway towards resolving differences over space weapons and Reagan's "Star Wars" project, known as the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

But he said the two sides had managed to clear up in Moscow "some misunderstandings on space defence" that had arisen after the Gorbachev-Reagan summit in Washington last year.

He told the news conference agreement had been reached for the first of four meetings scheduled between State Department and Soviet Foreign Ministry officials on human rights — discussions which until now have been held as part of overall negotiations between the two powers.

The spokesman said the airliner was approaching Kaohsiung when the man handed a stewardess a note in which he threatened to explode the grenades unless the plane flew to Beijing.

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Sheikh Sabah praises outcome of Arab committee meeting

By Lima Al Khalafawi

THE Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed yesterday praised the outcome of the meeting of the eight-member Arab committee that was held in Tunis on Saturday.

The committee was formed to study means and ways to muster support for the Palestinian uprising.

Sheikh Sabah said a date for next month's Arab League council session would be determined in the light of contacts underway by the eight-man committee with

Arab and international parties.

He hoped the contacts would realise quick and positive results.

The committee, set up by an extraordinary Arab foreign ministerial meeting held in Tunis on Jan 23, consists of Jordan, Tunisia, Algeria, Syria, Iraq, Palestine, Arab League Secretary-General and Saudi Arabia which represents the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).

Report

The committee has started urgent contacts to rally support for the Palestinian uprising.

It is assigned to contact the five

UN Security Council's permanent members, European states and Arab governments, urging them to implement international decisions on ending Israel's occupation and recognising the Palestinian people's rights of self-determination and statehood.

The Arab League ministerial council is to discuss at its upcoming session a detailed report by the eight-member committee on the outcome of its present contacts.

Sheikh Sabah said that a final date has not yet been fixed for his visit to Cairo and Amman.

Computer imports rise

THE computer revolution has found its way to Kuwait with computer imports rising rapidly during the past seven years.

Although computers previously were used primarily in businesses they are now being widely used by individuals and it is predicted that they will soon be considered an essential household commodity. Kuwait imported 4,500 personal computers last year, which is the type most home-users buy.

Many students use computers for their schoolwork, to learn languages, for drawing and design and mathematics. Almost any curriculum subject is available on computer disks now and programmes like the Holy Quran

and its interpretations are also available.

According to a number of people interviewed by a local newspaper a significant change in computer use has resulted from the availability of Arabic programmes. Programmes which translate all calendar dates to Al Hijra dates are available in Kuwait, as well as programmes with all national and religious celebrations.

Curriculum

Books on computer programming are now available on the market and the Ministry of Education ordered 290 computers in 1986 and have ordered 600 more this year.

Programmes are available for

Kuwait's education curriculum as well as others for teaching English to housewives.

The extensive use of computers by students necessitates that educators learn to apply their use in education to prevent computer institutes established by companies from monopolising education.

Prices for computers have dropped significantly over the past few years in Kuwait. Previously it would cost a company KD20,000 to purchase a computer system; now it can't be purchased for KD6,000.

Personal computers have also come within easy financial reach of consumers ranging between KD56 and KD285.

Al Awazem tribe limits dowry

THE Al Awazem tribe has followed the decision adopted by a number of Kuwaiti Bedouin tribes in limiting the amount of dowry paid by the bridegroom. They also stated that violators of the agreement would be ostracized from the tribe.

A number of tribes in the past few months have decided to limit the amount of dowry paid to the bride to KD5,000. Al Awazem fixed the dowry at KD4,000.

The decision was reached after a meeting of 800 members of the tribe was held. They also agreed that KD20 would be the maximum amount the tribe members could give to the bridegroom and 'banned sheep being given as presents.

Graduation ceremony

THE Adult Education and Literacy Department at Kuwait's Education Ministry held a graduation ceremony honouring the sixth graduating class from the Jahra Governorate.

The Director General of the Jahra Educational Area Ibrahim Abu Al Khalil encouraged graduates to continue their education and asked institutions and individuals to cooperate in reaching the objectives of the literacy programme.

Makkah and Madina inviolable sanctuaries

RIYADH, Feb 22, (Kuna): A study conducted by a senior official of Haj (pilgrimage) Research Centre has highlighted the significance of the two most sacred places in Makkah and Madina, as inviolable sanctuaries for native wildlife and vegetation, and human beings alike.

The study titled 'the haramayn (the two holy mosques) as sanctuaries for wildlife and wildlife habitat' undertaken by the centre's director general Sami Muhsin Angawi says an important aspect of the haramayn is that they are to serve as archetypal models of harmony between man and nature.

The haramayn of Makkah was declared inviolate by the prophet Ibrahim and its sanctity was recognised in the poetry of the haramayn as sanctuaries for wildlife and habitat.

The study calls for immediate and long-term measures including mapping of the haramayn boundaries, a thorough ecological survey, control urban sprawl and promotion of ecologically sensitive building techniques, such as those used in the haj research centre's experimental camp on Jabel Mina.

These measures also include limitation of the removal of vegetation, by environmental impact regulations, relocation of garbage dumps and other sources of soil, water and air pollution, and management of the effluent drainage channels which have become important for resident and migratory bird life.

It affirms that provision of suitable habitat for many species of birds, can be easily achieved.

Forbids

Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) had confirmed the inviolability of the haram of Makkah and declared Madina inviolable as well.

The study which was quoted by the official Saudi Press Agency SPA examines in detail the Sharia regulations which forbids hunting, disturbance of wildlife and the destruction of native vegetation within the haramayn.

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Guests at the graduation ceremony (above) listen to opening remarks by Abu Al Khalil and graduates are presented their certificates (below).



REQUIRE

You and the law

By Keith Wells

I'M sorry about this, really I am, and in National Day week and all, but I can't help it, somebody's got to say, or better still do, something about it. Yes, folks, it's KTV again. What have they done this time? Well, believe it or not they've had a brilliant idea, a really useful programme. No, I don't mean the temperature in Kuala Lumpur last Wednesday. I'm being serious.

'You and the Law' is a wonderful idea for a programme in a country like Kuwait where a majority of the inhabitants are foreigners and could really use some useful advice about the local laws and regulations. Sadly, they've blown it again. Perhaps someone could quietly explain to the people in television that television is actually a visual medium, it uses pictures. If they could understand that much, maybe then they might realise that the way to present such a complicated subject as a set of laws or regulations is to do it visually.

At the moment we get the

presenter reading out a long list of sections, subsections, paragraphs and codicils while standing in the middle of the road, if it's traffic laws, or in the immigration department, if he's talking about visa regulations. Thus we get a picture of a policeman stamping a passport in the background while the presenter says,

'According to Law number 223 published on May 28th 1983, section four, subsections twenty six, paragraph nineteen which states "It is an offence if any party, whether knowingly or unknowingly commits, practices or carries out, either by accident or design, any of the following: a) an offence as described heretofore in section 3 subsection 9, paragraph 16 or b) a mistake as described in section 7, subsection 18, paragraph 11 or c) all of the above with particular reference to the legal code, published on January 6th 1984 section 5 subsection etcetera!"'

And all the time he's stumbling through this legalistic rigmarole, the good policeman is busy stamping over or heavy lorries are roaring past his right ear and the poor old viewer is



The German Ambassador to Kuwait, H.E. Dr Bernd Wulffen, opened a German Language course at the College of Commerce in Adaliya on Sunday evening. He told those present that he wanted to see the German language becoming more popular and more widely taught in Kuwait. Dr Wulffen (right) is seen addressing the students.



hopelessly confused and loses the track of what is going on somewhere around section 1 subsection 1 paragraph 1a.

The solution is obvious. Forget when the Law was published, forget the sections, subsections, sons of subsections and sons of sons of subsections. Then write out the important parts of the laws or regulations on a nice clear piece of card and show that on the screen instead. By all means let the presenter repeat the information, but only the relevant parts of it.

Of course, this will take time, the cards will have to be prepared and so on. However, it will make a vast improvement and the viewers will actually be able to understand the mass of information being communicated. The present method of simply standing in front of a camera and reading the whole thing is sheer laziness, the easiest way to do the programme and the hell with whether anyone can actually follow it or not. This is not good enough.

The idea of 'You And The Law' is excellent and deserves to be carried out professionally.

When does a hobby become a way of life, an all-consuming passion? Gillian Gray talks to six different groups about their "hobbies." One group is the Tolkien Society which aims to promote the work of fantasy writer J.R.R. Tolkien, who wrote "The Hobbit" and "Lord of the Rings." Other hobby groups include Laurel and Hardy fans and Wild West enthusiasts. Gillian also looks at more usual hobbies such as stamp collecting and bird watching.

Martin Redfern explores the links between brain functions and composition, performance and appreciation of music with Dr Peter Fenwick of the Institute of Psychiatry and Paul Robertson of the Medicis Quintet. They discover how different areas of the brain are involved in appreciating aspects of music.

Citizens The two-weekly drama serial continues with the central heating being installed at Limerick Road and Alex, Anita and Julia having problems with the men

at their lives. At Bott and Co., preparations are afoot to sell St Valentine's Day and Alex is mounting a fund-raising exercise at the Bread Street Arts Centre.

You're Never Alone

Although a baby is sterile before it is born, from the moment of birth, a human being is never alone! No matter how often you bathe or wash your hair, your body will always provide a rich choice of environments for micro-organisms. Most are harmless and some even beneficial, as Peter France explains.

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TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

KTV 1

2.15 Holy Quran
2.30 World Today via Satellite.

3.30 Abtal Al Mu'lac cartoon serial

4.00 News summary

4.05 Magazine D'Actualite

4.20 National varieties

5.15 Al Manhal - children programme

6.00 Anza Shaiak

6.15 Varieties

6.55 Al Fan by Abdel Rasool Salman

7.25 Documentary, Jerusalem under siege for 20 years

8.00 Hadeeth Al Osbouh by Al Jassar

8.15 Good Evening programme and Local news

9.00 News in Arabic

9.50 Special programme on National Day

11.00 Safahat min Turreh Al Kuwait. By Al Shuanian.

11.45 World News via Satellite

11.50 Holy Quran Closedown

in the Pits" -- Cartoons.

6.30 Side Kicks: "Petty Cash." Arnie and his friends find a key for a box in baggage check room at the airport which contains a large sum of money.

7.00 Beyond 2000: a look at aeronautics, safety devices and wind as energy for generating electricity.

8.00 News in English

8.40 You and the Law: a local programme

8.50 Heart of the City: "Cezanne, and other Dreams." A group of criminals hold an innocent man as a hostage who eventually dies because of an argument among the policemen.

9.30 Documentary on Kuwait.

10.00 Tracey Ullman Show: a 30-minute comedy featuring short sketches.

10.30 Feature Film: News Summary: Magazine D'Actualite/Closedown

Please note that programmes and timings are liable to change without notice.

KTV 2

6.00 Holy Quran

6.10 Rainbow Bright: Peril

RADIO PROGRAMMES

English

Morning

08.00 Opening

08.02 Songs and Music

08.05 Thoughts in Islam

08.20 Songs and Music

08.40 News

08.45 Daily Programme

09.00 Songs and Music

09.30 They Sold A Million

10.00 Our Press Today

10.05 Songs and Music

11.00 Comedy Collection

11.00 Newsbreak

13.30 News on FM Service

BBC World Services

0000 World News
09 News about Britain
15 Radio Newsread

30 2nd and 9th The Mysterious Art of the Conductor, 1st and 2nd Best on Record.

0100 News Summary followed by Outlook

30 Short Story

45 The Undaunted Promise (2nd and 4th)

0200 World News
09 Commentary

15 Network UK

0300 World News

09 News about Britain

15 The World Today

30 John Peel

0400 Newsdesk

05 First Recordings of British Symphonies (23rd Virtuoso)

45 Reflections

05 Financial News

0500 World News

09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary

30 New Ideas

40 Turning Over New Leaves

45 The World Today

0600 Newsdesk

30 Rock Salad

0700 World News

09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary

30 The Undaunted Promise (2nd and 9th)

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ARAB TIMES

Thought for today

ONE half of the world cannot understand the pleasures of the other—Jane Austen, English novelist (1775-1817).

OPINION

A worthy leader

THE happiest man on the anniversary of Kuwait's 27th National Day is the one who has the love of this country and its people, our Amir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed.

HH the Amir is satisfied with nothing except the "best of the best" for Kuwait. And during the past 27 years, the Amir has seen his country prosper both, economically and socially.

The Amir feels that the individual must serve the community, even if this individual happens to be his own son, and, even if it means moving this son from one post to another, or even relieving him from his post.

Relieving someone from a post is not done out of animosity but simply because the new one might be able to do the better job. There is nothing wrong in making a mistake, as long as it is admitted and corrected. What should remain in the hearts of all, is that serving the country is the important thing.

In the past 27 years, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed has focussed on the rapid construction of the country. Speed was important in order to allow the present generation of Kuwaitis to enjoy the benefits of these projects and to see their country as the pride of the Gulf in their lifetime.

The Waterfront Project, which the Amir inaugurated yesterday, was supervised by him. Again, he was concerned that it be completed as quickly as possible so that this generation would benefit from its use. This is but one of his desires. His main desire has always been to prepare the Kuwaiti people, distinguished by their behaviour towards others and their love for their country. They are a people who will help make the "best of the best" for their country.

The National Day celebrations mean a lot to HH the Amir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed. To him they are an offering of more love and dedication to this land, which has given so much to its people and residents.

Perhaps, this is one of the reasons why Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed never hesitates to declare that God's care and providence protects this country and its people—it has rendered goodwill to all those who have knocked honestly at its doors.

As we said, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed will be the happiest man on the occasion of Kuwait's National Day—the day which conveys the true meaning of love and devotion to Kuwait.

Ahmed Al Jarallah

Money flows freely in Tokyo politics

By David Butts

TOKYO, (UPI): The chairman of Japan's justice committee was caught in the act of evading taxes on stock market profits. His colleague, the chairman of the budget panel and an infamous gambler, was fingered for handing over \$750 gift certificates to the opposition.

These two scandals in two weeks have cast a revealing light on the obscure underside of Japanese money politics and jolted the three-month-old administration of Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita.

The flow of money that forced the two ruling party leaders to resign from their committee posts is the lifeblood of Japanese politics—and is unlikely to change, political analysts say.

But as Japan's role in world affairs expands, questionable political practices are likely to come under growing scrutiny from foreign governments who view them as an impediment to Japanese markets.

Political analysts say Hideyuki Aizawa, chairman of the Judicial Affairs Committee, and Koichi Hamada, of the Budget Committee, are guilty only of being caught.

Aizawa admitted he evaded taxes on \$1.5 million in income from the stock market.

Half

A week later Hamada brought parliament to a halt when he called the leader of the Communist Party a "murderer" during a nationally televised committee session. In the ensuing uproar it was revealed that Hamada had given department store gift certificates to all non-communist committee members.

"These are really normal cases," said Yoichi Masuzoe, a Tokyo University professor of politics.

Yet they expose problems that can arise when foreigners, unfamiliar with Japanese ways, attempt to do business in Japan.

Actions that would be regarded as illegal or improper in the US—such as profiting from inside information on stocks or giving gifts for political favours—are common practice in Japan, analysts say.

"Insider trading is a very important source of money to most politicians, even the highest member of the ruling party, even the prime minister," Masuzoe said.

As much as half the finance for

political campaigns comes from stock market profits gained through insider trading, said a political source close to Takeshita.

Already outside pressure is mounting for Japan to control insider trading.

The chairman of the US Securities and Exchange Commission was in Tokyo last week urging Japan to put teeth into its insider trading laws.

Politicians give away large amounts in a trail of money that is rarely exposed. In minor races, outright vote buying is still rampant. Police reported almost 10,000 cases in last year's election to the Diet, or parliament.

Cooperation

"When a politician is appointed committee chairman, he goes to all the members and asks for their cooperation and gives them a gift," Masuzoe said. "That is just politics."

In a similar manner, the businesses that depend on government cooperation give money to politicians. Construction companies are among the largest donors to political campaigns.

"Construction companies give money in order to avoid being excluded," said one political source. "US companies find it extremely difficult to break into the Japanese construction market."

Political reporters know of the movement of money but are reluctant to expose it because, as one journalist said, "it is the system that holds society together."

"It ranges from public affairs to children entering universities and job hunting."

The public also appears to accept it.

The two offending politicians in the recent scandals gave up only their committee posts, held on their seats in the Diet and were not prosecuted.

The man at the centre of the most notorious political scandal in recent Japanese history also continues to hold his Diet seat. Former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka, sentenced to a four-year prison term for taking bribes from Lockheed Corp. in the early 1970s, has been returned to his seat in every election since. His conviction has been appealed.

Takeshita was a deputy party secretary under Tanaka. Perhaps the strongest lesson Tanaka taught him was to avoid scandals, and the new prime minister has carefully distanced himself from the recent fracas.

Suspicious of terrorism

North Korea driven into deeper isolation

By Elaine Kurtenbach

TOKYO, (AP): Accusations that North Korea was involved in the disappearance of a South Korean jetliner appear to have driven the secluded North into deeper isolation.

The Korean Air plane, which vanished in November on a flight from Bahrain to Seoul, had 115 people aboard. A Jan 15, confession in Seoul by Kim Hyon Hui that she was a North Korean agent and helped bomb the jetliner unleashed a flurry of accusations and sanctions between Pyongyang, Seoul and Washington.

Prior to that, long-strained relations between the United States and North Korea had begun to thaw slightly. North and South Korean officials were meeting to discuss some form of North Korean participation in hosting the upcoming summer Olympics in Seoul, and there seemed to be a chance that Pyongyang might return remains of US servicemen missing from the Korean war.

Japanese trade ties with the North were growing. Further signs that North Korea was opening its doors, however slightly, included reunions of Korean families from the North and South and a growing tourism industry in the North.

The Korean Air incident, however, underscored the tension and volatility at the root of relations between Pyongyang and non-communist nations.

Sanctions

Washington and Tokyo, convinced by Kim Hyon Hui's confession that she acted under orders from Pyongyang, slammed the breaks on detente with the North. At least 56 nations have denounced North Korea over the incident, and further political and economic sanctions have been threatened.

The United States withdrew authorisation for US diplomats to hold substantive discussions with North Korean diplomats and placed North Korea on a list of countries that support terrorism, along with Iran, Libya, Syria, Cuba and North Yemen.

Japan severely restricted contact between its diplomats and North Korean officials, and Japanese government officials will not be allowed to visit North Korea. Japan will continue trade relations, which amount to \$1.84 million annually in exports for

Japan.

In London, pilots of international airlines said they had put North Korea on their "list of offending states." There would be no immediate sanctions against North Korea, said Terry Middleton, executive administrator of the British-based International Federation of Airline Pilots' Associations.

"But if our efforts for dialogue get nowhere to ensure North Korea realises its responsibilities for safe aviation, action we could take might mean pilots refusing to fly to North Korea and coordinating with other workers to boycott the handling of flights to and from the country," he said.

Denies

Pyongyang, which vehemently denies any involvement in the incident, responded to the sanctions by severing relations with Japan and the United States. North Korea has been cut off from the West since 1945, when the Korean peninsula was divided into North and South after World War II.

President Kim Il Sung, 75, maintains a tight grip on the secluded communist state he established in 1948 with Soviet support. Few Western journalists

are admitted, and many watch North Korea from Tokyo just as they once watched China from Hong Kong before it was opened to outsiders.

The North, fearing that a Seoul Olympics would give the South an unprecedented propaganda coup, has been demanding the right to co-host games set for Sept 17-Oct 2.

Olympic organisers offered to let Pyongyang stage five events—a compromise that would have given participants and spectators a rare look at one of the world's most isolated societies.

But Japanese visitors to North Korea say the communist government has made some advances that are often overlooked by those focusing on South Korea's much more explosive growth.

"They live a humble lifestyle, but my impression is that the North Koreans are managing fairly well and can supply basic necessities to the people," said Takaaki Kamakura, an economics professor at Saitama University, who visited most recently in September.

United Nations studies say that there is an adequate supply of food, which is rationed, and housing. Life remains spartan by Western standards, however, and visitors consistently comment on the lack of consumer goods in stores and in homes.

"The variety of goods on the shelves of department stores was quite limited," said Munetoshi Maejima, who visited North Korea in a delegation from the National Christian Council of Japan.

Protecting North Korea in its isolation is the world's sixth largest military force, with over 800,000 troops and five million reserves. Although the military reportedly engages in construction and production projects, it is a burden on the centralised, bureaucratic economy.

Despite its official ideology of "juche," or self-reliance, Pyongyang is indebted to both Western and communist-bloc lenders.

Debt

A foreign debt of more than \$4 billion to non-communist countries, according to the IHS, and a severe lack of foreign exchange reserves have inhibited efforts to establish more foreign trade.

A member of the Non-Aligned Movement, the North maintains strong ties with the Soviet bloc and a close ally of China, both of which reportedly provide substantial aid. In his foreign policy, Kim Il Sung has promoted active cooperation with other developing nations.

Muslim militant groups voice their hatred of Western culture

By David Newsom

WASHINGTON: A recent TV documentary, "The Sword of Islam," focused on extreme expressions of the Islamic faith in Egypt and Lebanon. Men and women, members of militant groups in both the Sunni and Shiite traditions, voiced their hatred of Western culture and a willingness to sacrifice for their faith.

The television camera may have helped stimulate the more provocative statements, but the message of the film still gives one pause for the attitudes of the militants in any religion represent current also present in the mainstream.

Those of us who have lived in Muslim countries can hear in the voices on the screen echoes of other, less-strident statements of resentment against the impact upon family cohesion and youth whether in Libya, Iraq, Pakistan, or Indonesia—or the music, films, dress, and habits of America and Europe. On other occasions, we have heard references to the Crusades as a Muslim victory that someday must be repeated against the new invasions from the West. We have been reminded of the sense of humiliation of adherents of a faith that once dominated the then civilised world. We have felt the emotion of those who see US support for the Israeli presence in Jerusalem as a direct affront to Islam.

Islam is a potent force in today's world. It is the fastest

growing religion. An understanding of its power is essential to an understanding of many of the more troubling currents faced by the United States and the West in the Third World. Those who were close to the Islamic revolution in Iran point out that Western observers were caught unaware, because they were not regular visitors to the mosques where the message of revolt was where the unwanted results of Western influence.

Difficulty

Most Americans have difficulty knowing how to react to the revelations of the nature of Islam. The links of experience that would create empathy with this faith are few.

Yet the US, officially at least, must find a way to live with and respect this potent force. Leaders in countries facing the pressure of Islamic movements will find it difficult to continue to support US policies when the United States is seen as either contemptuous of Islam or opposed to political issues important to Muslims.

As with the moderate rulers of countries in the Muslim world, US leadership cannot bow to extremes. Balanced glimpses of Islam should help Americans understand better the power and influence of this strong religion and demonstrate that alternatives to its extremes exist. Such enlightenment is important to both Americans and Muslims; they will be sharing the world together for a long, long time.

The Christian Science Monitor News Service

Botha sidelines racial reforms, opts for economic programme

By Kevin Jacobs

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, (UPI): Forty years after white Afrikaners began enforcing the doctrine of apartheid, President Peter Botha is counting the cost of reforming race-based laws that divide the nation and bedevil its future.

Sidelining domestic and foreign civil rights demands for the voteless black majority, Botha has opted first to reshape the nation's inflated and debt-burdened economy.

Most recognised black leaders, rejecting Botha's programme that insists residential and school segregation stays in place, are shunning his only currently offered reform, a council to negotiate a role for blacks.

Botha, celebrating 40 years of white National Party rule, has focused on financial issues amid right-wing demands to curb widening racial mixing and left-wing cries for faster dismantling of apartheid.

"Reform can not take place at the same rate that you make instant coffee—society needs time to absorb it," Information Minister Stoffel van der Merwe said.

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"It is necessary from time to time to analyse matters thoroughly and... even to make drastic adjustments to one's course," Botha told a joint session of parliament's usually segregated white, mixed-race and Asian lawmakers.

Politically risky policy turnabouts, Botha Feb 5 ordered a public service wage freeze and proposed sell-off state ownership of national transportation networks, power utilities, roads systems and the nation's biggest

steel producer.

Business leaders hailed the capitalistic switch and inflation-fighting measures. Political supporters citing strengthening right-wing opposition approved Botha's potentially risky sell-off of state bodies often seen as sheltered jobs for underskilled whites.

"It is clear to us that it is useless to proceed with reform on constitutional and political levels, and on the social level, if the economy is not in good shape," he said.

Mainly US bankers acting under growing anti-apartheid pressures in 1985 called in loans to Pretoria, triggering a wild fall in the nation's currency on foreign exchange markets and forcing Pretoria to reschedule debt repayments.

"This country has a future only if we handle the economy properly."

"If we go the road without economic improvement we will not be able to solve either the material or political problems we face," Fred du Plessis, the nation's most prominent white Afrikaner business leader, told reporters.

"This country has a future only if we handle the economy properly."

"We need reform, we need economic measures."

Security forces acting under state-of-emergency powers imposed in June 1986 smothered a black rebellion that began two years earlier.

"South Africa is a country in flux, it is experiencing the biggest changes in its history, and quite obviously this is a dangerous road to travel—reform always holds risks," said a senior government member who asked not to be named.

Botha, backing Botha's deviation from political priorities, said better living standards will lessen pressure for revolutionary change in black ghettos.

A new star rises in Kremlin

included in production figures.

Maslyukov was expected to concentrate his efforts on the flagging Soviet engineering sector, which under his predecessor Nikolai Talyzin failed to meet production targets.

Gorbachev has described the modernisation of the engineering sector, on which the rest of industry depends for the supply of adequate machinery and tools, as essential if Soviet goods

are to compete on foreign markets.

Maslyukov faces the immediate task of ensuring the fulfilment of a planned 7.5 per cent increase in engineering output.

As head of Gosplan, where he served as deputy chairman from 1982-85, Maslyukov's main job is to formulate strategic guidelines, while allowing enterprises sufficient autonomy to gear production to demand.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1573—Irish rebellion is crushed effectively with surrender of James Fitzmaurice—pacification of Perth ends fighting in Scotland between Regent and supporters of Mary Queen of Scots.

1574—Fifth war of religion breaks out in France.

1660—Sweden's King Charles IX executes leaders of pro-Polish party for treason.

1766—Duchy of Lorraine is incorporated into France.

1820—Cata Street conspiracy to murder British cabinet minister is discovered.

1836—Siege of the Alamo begins in US state of Texas against Mexican attackers.

1854—Britain agrees to leave territory north of Orange River in South Africa, allowing for establishment of constitution for Orange Free State.

1901—Britain and Germany agree on boundary between German East Africa and Nyasaland.

1933—Japan begins occupation of China north of the Great Wall.

1942—Japanese submarine shells oil refinery near Santa Barbara, California (US).

1964—Britain recogn

Ninety years in the fast lane

Enzo Ferrari, the grand old man of the racing car industry, the inventor, designer and engineer of some of Italy's fastest and sleekest cars has just celebrated his 90th birthday — 90 years of crashing through life. In celebration, the Pope will visit Ferrari at Modena. What sort of a man is this trail-blazer?



Enzo Ferrari: monumental ego

By Roger Boyes

THERE is not a straight line in a Ferrari. Look at it closely from any angle, sideways, face on, or crouched down like a car thief, and it gradually dawns that the machine is completely asymmetrical; not a matching plane in sight. The same could be said of Enzo Ferrari, the grand old man of the racing car industry, the inventor, designer, engineer of Italy's fastest and sleekest cars.

He is tall, ungainly, frequently rude, bullies his friends, has a monumental ego and, if you survive all that, considerable charm. On Thursday, February 18, he celebrated his 90th birthday, 90 years of crashing through life.

That life has been the history of the internal combustion engine, and Ferrari's passion is for the race track. It began at the age of 10, in 1908, when he accompanied his father and elder brother, Alfredo, to the Bologna circuit. There he saw Felice Nazzaro win at what seemed to be an unbelievable speed: 60 miles an hour.

His father ran a metal-working shop outside Modena, modifying axles for the railway industry. He wanted Enzo to be an engineer, a respectable professional, not a grease monkey. Enzo had other ideas, passing through the phases of wanting to be an opera singer and a sports journalist, and ending up committed to the infant sport of motor racing. When his father expanded the workshop to include car repairs, the issue was settled. By the age of 13, Enzo had learnt to drive.

Compulsion

At the beginning of the century the automobile had the same kind of romantic compulsion as space travel in the 1960s: a sense of new frontiers, and new heroes, Italians, in Tom Wolfe's phrase, had the right stuff — Nazzaro, Vincenzo Lancia, Giuseppe Campari, Tazio Nuvolari. Knowing that he wanted to be a racing, and not a military hero, the First World War was something of an irritation.

Conscripted into the Mountain Artillery, he told his

colonel that he was a skilled mechanic and, with typical military contrariness, spent most of the war shoeing pack mules. Then he fell ill and was invalided out of the service. He tried, unsuccessfully to find a job with Fiat, but struck lucky as a test driver with CMN, Costruzioni Meccaniche Nazionali.

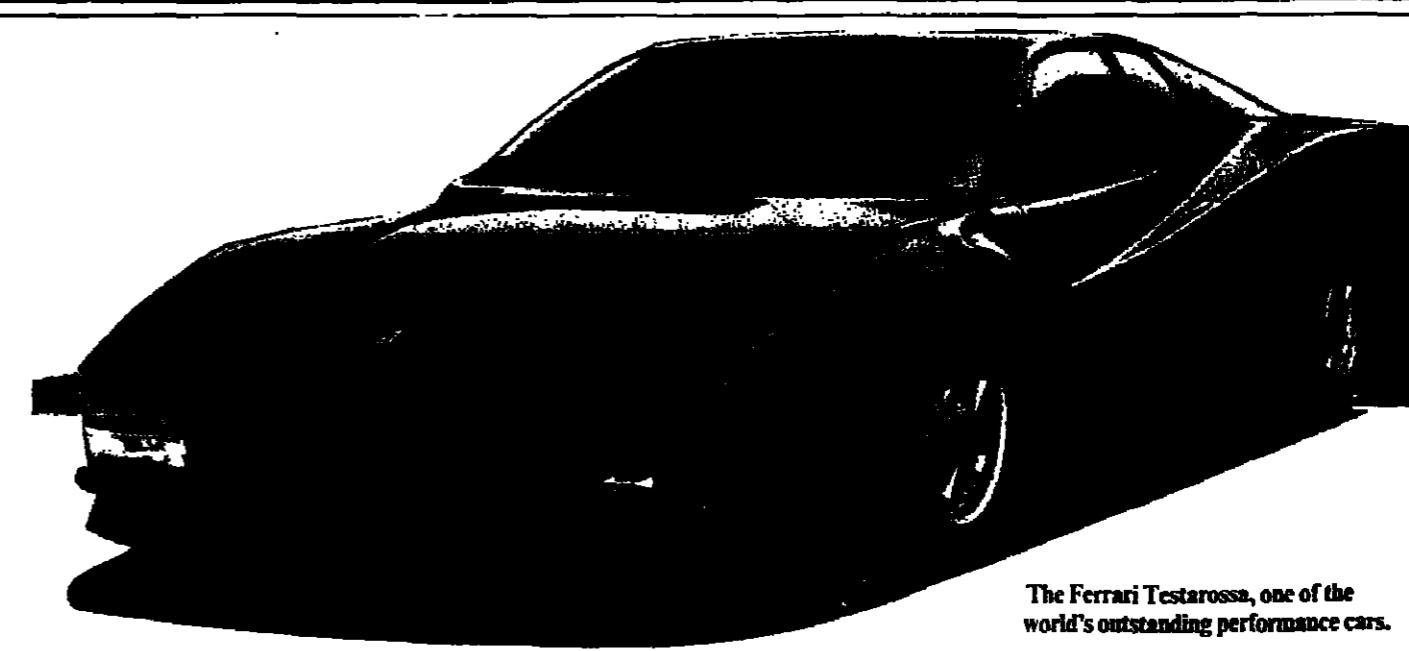
This was the start of the passenger car revolution in Europe. After the war, entrepreneurs were busily adopting light truck chassis for passenger vehicles. It was a good time for test drivers and a good, if rugged, time for racers.

Competition had a different feel about it in those days. In 1919, Ferrari and his close friend, Ugo Sivocci, set out from Milan to take part in the Targa Florio race in Sicily. They had to drive their racing car the length of Italy to get to the track. Ploughing their way through the deep snow of the Abruzzi Mountains, they were attacked by hungry wolves and had to fend them off with a revolver (standard equipment for racing drivers then).

They arrived in Palermo in time for the start, but a petrol tank promptly dropped off. Enzo made rapid repairs. He was beginning to catch up with the rest of the field when police stopped him and made him wait until a local politician had finished making a speech in the market square. Yelling insults at politicians, Ferrari managed to finish, but as he remembers ruefully, "the timekeepers and spectators had already left on the last train to Palermo."

Ferrari's racing career improved. After one victory at Ravenna, in 1923, an old man pushed through the cheering crowd and gave him a charred piece of fabric, a black prancing horse on a yellow background. It was the last remnant of the Italian fighter ace Francesco Baracca who, after shooting down 35 planes, died in flames during the war. The man was Baracca's father, and Ferrari, deeply touched, adopted the symbol for all of his cars.

There is something in Ferrari's abrupt manner that reminds one of great horse trainers. Certainly, the equine imagery is there. When, in



The Ferrari Testarossa, one of the world's outstanding performance cars.

commercial protector is Fiat. And the old man is happy enough, stalking his Maranello works as a laird patrols his estates.

To some extent, Ferrari lives with his ghosts. All retired racing drivers have lost friends on the track, but Ferrari has lost more than most. Almost every 90-year-old has survived his school-mates, but Ferrari seems to have been more marked than others. When his son Dino died of muscular dystrophy in 1956, he was deeply wounded; some of the zeal for victory left him. His confidants have all been taken by the track, by the years, or by age and disease. Ferrari's chief designer says he is "closed as a walnut", but he cries easily at death, or opera, or a track victory.

It has happened again and again. After the Second World War, Ferrari can had begun to make a real mark on the racing world. At the same time, the sculpted sports cars were being eagerly snapped up by heads of state and film stars. But to support the racing, Ferrari again needed a commercial protector.

Negotiations were opened with Ford in 1962, and almost from the moment the Americans walked in, it was plain that there was to be an epic struggle between the car producer as a bureaucratic monolith, and the car producer as an eccentric lover of engines. Under the proposed agreement, Ford would essentially run the sports car divi-

tion, with Ferrari keeping 10 per cent stake, while Ferrari would run the racing cars. In trooped the huge team of Ford lawyers, accountants and henchmen. Ferrari had only one adviser. Every three minutes, one of the Ford team would leave to ring Detroit. Ferrari thought they had bowel problems.

Metabolism

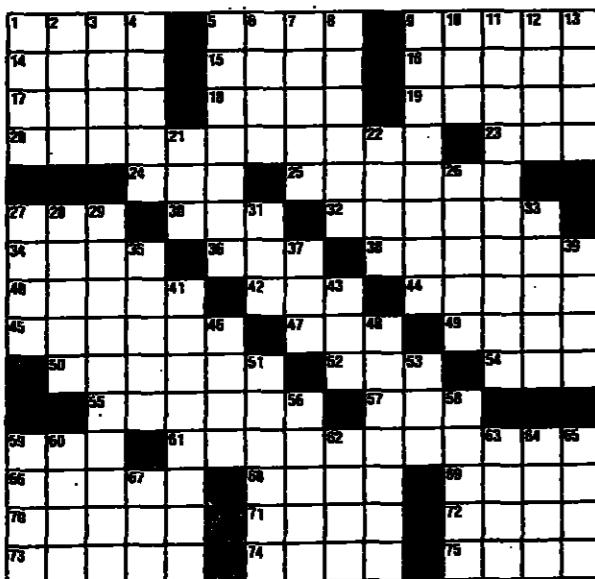
Ferrari has a standard Italian metabolism, getting up late and working late, happy to have a dinner at midnight. The Ford men were 9 to 5 creatures, and completely exhausted.

Eventually, when Ford began to stipulate what races Ferrari should win, the old man exploded. "The answer the Ford men gave me," Ferrari recalls, "was calculated to humiliate. They said: 'But Mr Ferrari, you are selling your company — you cannot pretend to dispose of it as you wish.' Nowadays, Ferrari's



Ferrari (far left) with Nicolo Romeo founder of Alfa Romeo and Giorgio Rimini who sold Ferrari his first racing car.

TODAY'S CROSSWORD



GOLEN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF
ATTACK THE RIGHT SUIT

Both vulnerable. South deals.

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♦ 8 6 4 2

WEST
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Q 10 8 2
♦ A 5
♦ J 10 7

EAST
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♥ J 9 4 3
♦ K 3 2
♦ Q

SOUTH
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♥ A 6 5
♦ J 10 8
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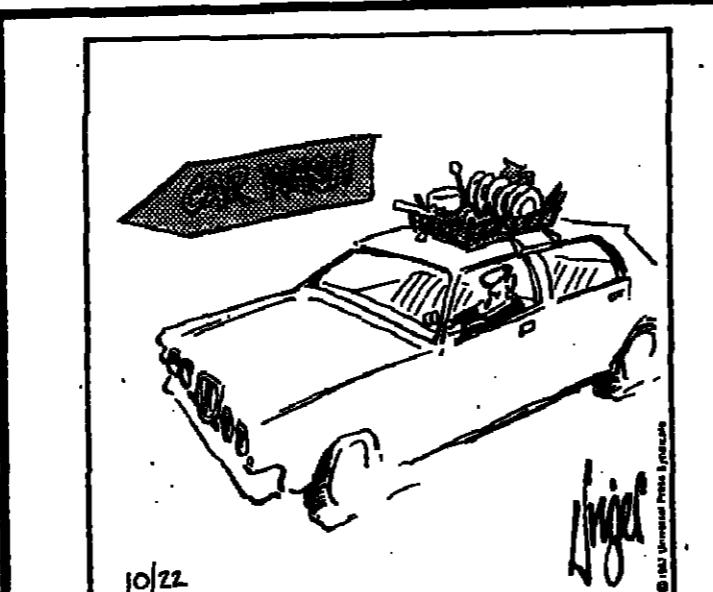
The bidding:
South West North East
1 NT Pass 2 NT Pass
3 NT Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Two of ♦
Most bridge players are reluctant to give up a trick. The expert, however, is more concerned with how

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:



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THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



By Johnny Hart

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By Johnny Hart

YOUR STARS



Aries (March 20 - April 18)

You should concern yourself more with practical matters. You will have something to be pleased about. Have a good laugh at yourself. You should not be quite so sentimental. Be prudent.



Cancer (June 21 - July 21)

You will be better able to do what you have in mind. Make sure you do not leave travel preparations until it is too late. Have a little more faith in yourself. Be constructive.



Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22)

This is going to be a good day for you. You should not allow yourself to be persuaded to act contrary to your conscience. You should make sure you can meet your commitments. Be reliable.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

This is going to be a good day for you. You should not allow yourself to be persuaded to act contrary to your conscience. You should make sure you can meet your commitments. Be reliable.



Taurus (April 19 - May 19)

The Moon's better influence will help you to make a mark. Do not allow yourself to be intimidated. You will be able to take everything in your stride. Be hospitable.



Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)

You should seek to take a more positive viewpoint. You will find a little more goodwill being shown towards you. You must take more care not to put on weight. Be sensible.



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)

The Moon's influence will help you to stay impartial in a dispute between two friends of yours. Do not be quite so severe on yourself or others. If you want to take advantage of a good opportunity you will have to act swiftly.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

You should not try to deceive others. You will be able to get on better with your colleagues. Avoid taking a stranger into your confidence. Be less supercilious.



Gemini (May 20 - June 20)

You should try to stay impartial in a dispute between two friends of yours. Do not be quite so severe on yourself or others. If you want to take advantage of a good opportunity you will have to act swiftly.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

You should not allow yourself to be distracted. You will be able to see things more clearly. You should not leave quite so much to chance and to luck. Things are not what they seem. Be more watchful.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)

You will be able to make a success of what you are doing. You should not turn your back on reality. Do not lose the courage of your convictions. Be benevolent.

Dear Junior Readers

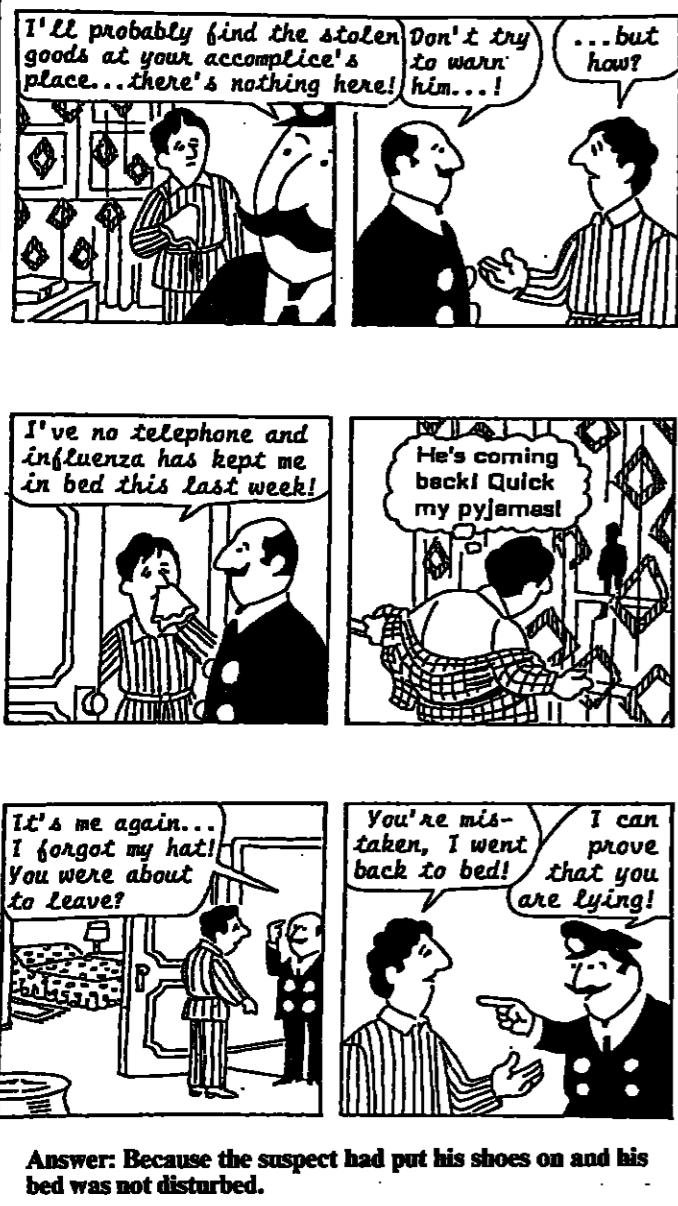
We have some new activities for you in today's Junior Times. We hope that you will enjoy trying them with your friends.

Thursday's Junior Times will focus on Kuwait's National Day, so be sure and look for the special stories and activities we have planned for this special day.

Aunt Barbara

Detective story

How did the sergeant know that the man was about to leave?



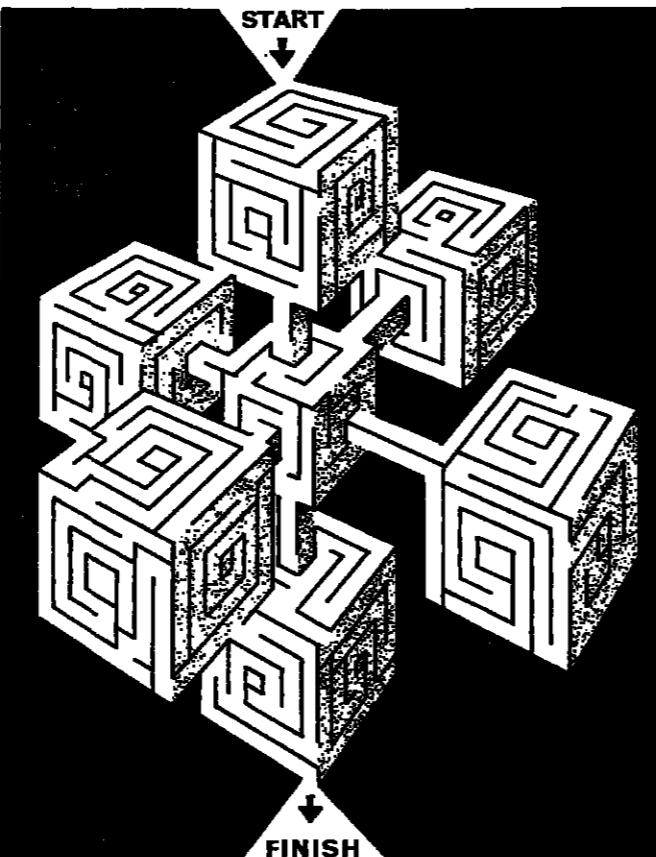
Students compete in Quran competition



Twelve hundred students from Kuwait's private schools competed in a Quran recitation competition recently at the Private Education Institute in Jabiya. Ahmad Has, a second grader from Universal American School, received a mark of 96 in his age group. Ahmed is presented with a certificate by the Head of his school's Religion Department Abd Al Mousam. His teacher, Mama Lamis, is also pictured congratulating him and three of his schoolmates Yasmin Gamal, Rania Al Khatib and Mena Arafa, all first graders.

Structure maze

Can you find your way through this maze?



Analogy

DESTRUCTION: DEATH:
(A) wash: dirt (B) germs: infection (C) sneeze: cold (D) cough: sneeze

OXYGEN: GASEOUS:
(A) feather: light (B) mercury: fluid (C) iron: heavy (D) sand: grainy

AGILE: ACROBAT:
(A) grease: mechanic (B) peanuts: vendor (C) plant: fruit (D) eloquent: orator

CAT: MOUSE:
(A) bird: worm (B) dog-tail (C) trap: cheese (D) hide: seek

REMBRANDT: (A) Herodotus (B) Titan (C) Socrates (D) Bacon as PICASSO: GAUGIN

(A) Thomas (B) Jack (C) Oscar (D) William: ACTOR as PENNANT: TEAM

ARROGATE is to USURP
as CLOY is to (A) collect (B) employ (C) glut (D) cut

A FOX was tremendously hungry. He ran to and fro all over a newly ploughed field, looking for mice, till suddenly he stumbled over a hedgehog who was sitting with a dead mouse in her paws.

"Thief!" cried the fox angrily. "What right has a prickly pig like you to such a tasty morsel?" And he snatched the mouse from under the hedgehog's nose, and swallowed it.

"May you choke on it, you thieving wretch!" sputtered the hedgehog.

But the fox only laughed at the hedgehog's anger.

"Tell me," he asked, "why do you look like a sort of pin-cushion?"

"These prickles are my only defence," replied the hedgehog.

"You poor thing," said the fox with a sneer. "Thank God I have no need for any weapons of that sort — my cunning pulls me through all my difficulties!"

Suddenly they heard a commotion — Halloo! Halloo! — as two greyhounds broke through the undergrowth and came streaking across the field.

Quick as thought the hedgehog curled herself into a ball, while the fox took to his heels and ran. The dogs snuffed a bit at the hedgehog, but had their noses pricked for their pains, so they left it alone and rushed off after the fox.

Now the fox tried all the cunning he knew. He darted to and fro in a zig-zag, doubled back round behind the haystacks and played a hundred and one tricks — but all in vain. The dogs caught him and seized him by the ears, and dragged him before their master, the huntsman.

The fox and the hedgehog

The little girl took the pot home to her mother, and they were not hungry any longer, but ate fine steaming porridge as often as they wanted.

One day when the little girl was out, her mother said, "Cook, little pot." The pot cooked the most delicious porridge, and she had plenty to eat, but she had forgotten the words to stop it, so the pot cooked on and till it overflowed. Soon the steaming porridge filled the kitchen, and the whole house, then the

next-door house, and then the whole street, until it looked as though the whole world was going to be filled with porridge.

No one knew what to do, and everyone was frantic. At last, when only one house in the town was still clear of porridge, the little girl came back and said, "Enough, little pot." And the pot stopped cooking.

But anyone who wanted to go into the city had to eat his way there.

The problem with porridge

"for he looks like me, but I cannot take in the other two!"

"If you will not take in my friends," replied the white one, "I shall stay wet, rather than desert them."

The rain fell more and more heavily so they flew across to the tulip and said, "Dear Tulip, open your flower a little for us, and let us in to shelter from the rain."

"I shall be glad to welcome the red and the yellow ones," replied the tulip, "but cannot take in the white one."

"If you cannot take in our friend," said the red and yellow butterflies, "then we shall have to do without your help." And so they flew away together.

But the sun, who was hiding behind a cloud, had overheard them, and it was glad that the three butterflies stood by each other so nobly. It chased the clouds and the rain away, and beamed down on the garden and dried the butterflies' wings. So they danced and played among the flowers for the rest of the day.

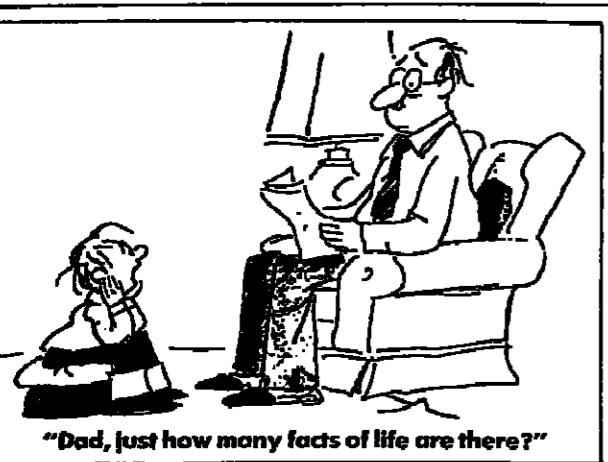
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Rhyme time

All the words in this puzzle rhyme — but don't try to make a poem out of them!

Alone	Drone	Loan	Prone
Atone	Enthrone	Long	Roan
Bemoan	Flown	Megaphone	Saxophone
Bestrown	Foreknow	Microphone	Sewn
Bone	Grown	Moan	Shown
Brimstone	Hailstone	Monotone	Stone
Chaperone	Hose	Ozone	Trombone
Condone	Intone	Postpone	Undertone
Cone	Keystone	Xylophone	Unknown
Dictaphone			
Disown			

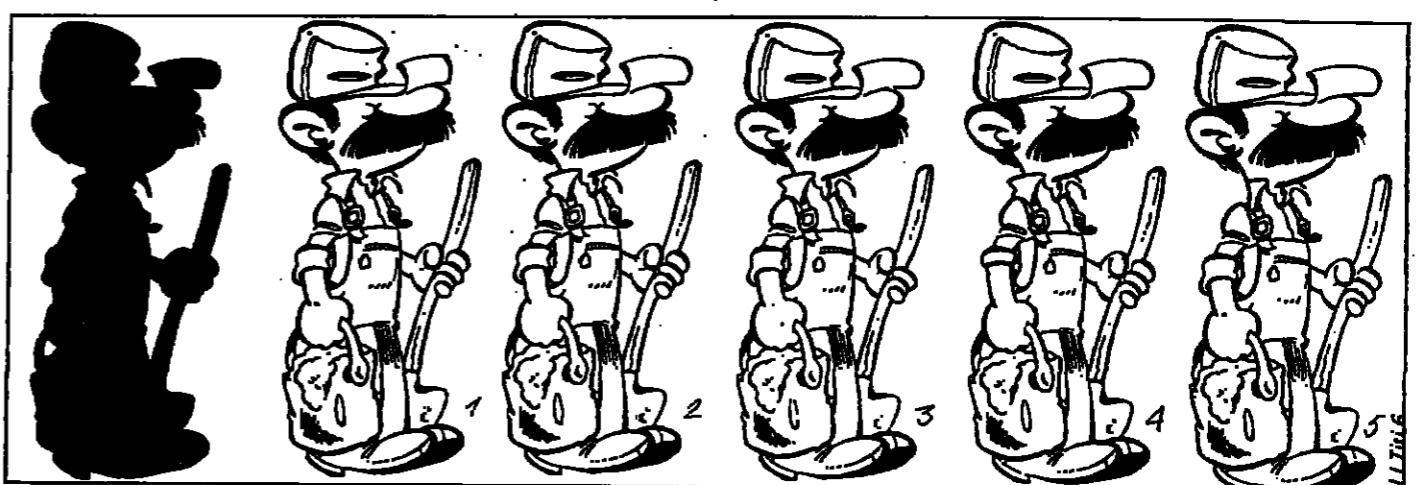


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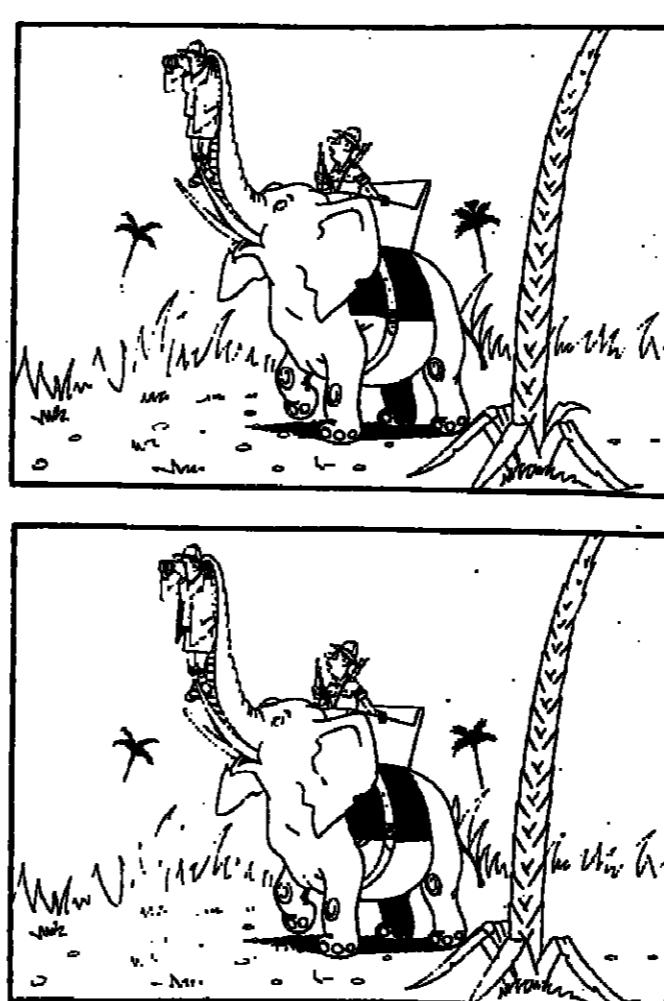
Dig in

To which of these workers does the shadow on the left belong?



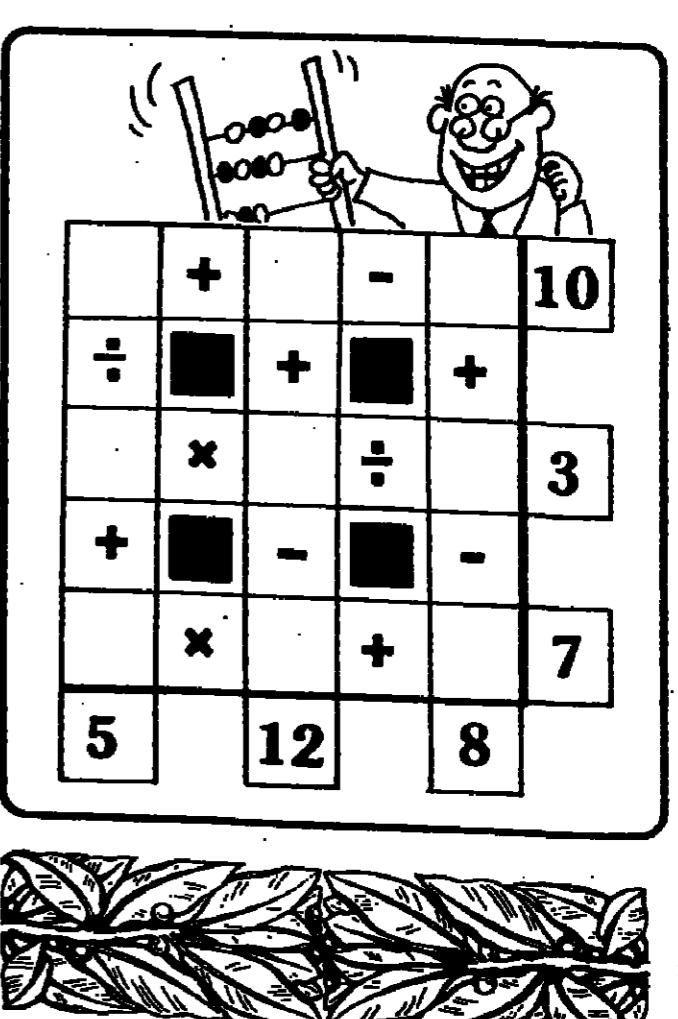
Trunk photography

Can you spot the eight differences between these two pictures?



Mind jogger

Can you fit the numbers 1 to 9 into the grid so that the total at the end of each horizontal row is obtained?



BUSINESS & FINANCE

Record Japanese investments in UK factories

LONDON, Feb 22, (LPS): A decision by Omron Tateisi Electronics, a leading Japanese maker of electronic control components, to set up its first European production plant in Britain is the latest of three projects announced during the past week, bringing to 72 the total number of Japanese companies committed to manufacturing in the United Kingdom.

The other recent investors are Sanyo, which is to open a micro-wave oven factory and a components plant, and technology components specialists Hoshiko Sangyo and Nitto Kogyo, which are establishing a new company called Euro-Technology Industries (ETI) as a joint venture with a British manufacturer. All of these projects will be located in northern England.

Projects

A record 33 new Japanese investment projects in Britain have been announced during the past 12 months, along with expansion schemes for 12 existing operations. These will involve a total investment of more than £200 million.

In the last three months alone, 11 new factory projects and two expansions have been given the go-ahead, representing investments of almost £80 million.

Omron Tateisi Electronics is investing some £2 million in a factory at Telford in western England, where it will produce electronic control modules for office equipment such as facsimile machines, copiers and printers.

\$90m World Bank loan for Morocco

PARIS, Feb 22, (Ku): The World Bank is granting Morocco a loan of \$90 million to help the kingdom improve and expand its electricity distribution system, according to the latest World Bank News.

About 90,000 new clients are expected to benefit from the project, which is to be implemented between 1988 and 1994.

Under the project, power facilities of the Office Nationale d'Electricite and five local utilities will be restored, modernised and expanded.

Meanwhile, Tunisia has been granted a \$28 million World Bank loan to further develop its small and medium-scale industries.

Effort

This new project comes after the successful completion of two earlier ventures in the same sector and includes a line of credit of \$27.5 million divided among three commercial banks, Banque de Tunisie, Banque du Sud and Societe Tunisienne De Banque.

The project falls within the Tunisian government's overall effort to boost industrial entrepreneurship and to create jobs in economically sound projects at a relatively low cost, the World Bank said.

Tazara railway aims to expand traffic and regional market

LUSAKA, Feb 22, (Reuter): Operators of the Chinese-built railway linking landlocked Zambia with the ocean through Tanzania believe they can turn it into an important and secure trade outlet for more southern African nations.

Standwell Mapara, general manager of the Tanzania-Zambia Railway Authority (Tazara) told Reuter in an interview that he hoped to attract more cargo bound to and from such states as Malawi, Zimbabwe and Zaire.

Later, if a spur to lake Tanganyika could be built, Burundi and Rwanda might also use the 1,600-km (1,000-mile) railway between Kapiri Mposhi in Zambia and Tanzania's port capital of Dar es Salaam.

Link

The link, opened in 1976, has made a profit since 1984 after initial losses, Mapara said.

Meanwhile a 10-year rehabilitation programme began in 1985 and backed by foreign aid donors aimed to increase the volume of goods that the line carries up to 1.6 million tonnes a year.

It carried 1.2 million in the year to June 30, 1987, and a similar volume is expected this year.

"By 1991 and 1992, I think we will be a far stronger railway in terms of capacity and speed," Mapara said.

The railway has still to secure from donors \$6 million out of \$227 million needed for the

UK bank highlights key aspects of the crash

Financial system survived the shock

SPREADING THE RISK

The 'ouch' on bargains of normal market size — difference between best bid and best offer price, expressed as a percentage of the average of the two

	1986:	1987:					
Equities	July	Oct	Aug	Sep	Oct 19-23	Oct	Nov
Alpha	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.4	2.0
Beta	1.8	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.9	1.9	3.5
Gamma	3.4	2.6	2.5	2.6	3.6	3.5	5.9
							3.8

London, and even more so in New York; in Tokyo it fell.

In London the number of shares traded in the week following the crash was some 40 percent above the daily average in the first nine months of 1987.

There were over 100,000 customer bargains transacted in each of the two days of the week beginning October 19, more than twice the daily average over the same period.

But the pace moderated abruptly; by the end of the month the daily number of bargains had returned to its pre-crash level, and thereafter continued to decline.

During November, the daily average number of bargains were close to 30,000, about two-thirds the average since Big Bang.

The distribution of trading between participants in the London market also altered during the crash.

Customers accounted for 60 per cent of all trades compared with the usual 50:50 split between customer and intra-market deals.

After the initial downturn, over 80 per cent of the customer transactions were buy orders, but most of these were small. The

institutions appear to have been net sellers.

The specialist system in New York and the market-making system in London operate with somewhat different priorities.

The specialist in New York assumes an obligation to act to prevent volatile price movements in the shares in which he has the sole obligation to make a market.

As one element in this, he can delay, with the approval of the exchange, the opening of trading whenever the imbalance of orders would require a price significantly different from the previous day's close, and can halt trading during the day, again with the agreement of the exchange, if such an imbalance occurs.

The UK structure, on the other hand, emphasises competition between a large number of market makers who are obliged to make two-way price confirmations throughout the trading day.

It gives priority to liquidity rather than price stability. In fact, however, prices during the crash were no less stable in London than in New York. As for liquidity, certain stocks were at times untradeable in New York.

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The most serious concern in connection with "structural" arrangements in London related to settlement. There were two aspects. First, an account period began on October 12 with a settlement date, for trading during the succeeding two weeks, of November 2. As the period progressed, there was growing anxiety about the accumulation of counterparty risk and the possibility of default by private investors on account day.

In the event the fears proved unfounded. A second aspect was the longstanding backlog of unsent bargains, which again contributed to counter party exposure. By October, however, the number of unsent bargains was 50 per cent below the August peak. Concern about counterparty exposure is nonetheless thought to have contributed to depressed sentiment in the London market.

Causes

This article has focused on the course rather than the causes or the consequences of the crash. On the evidence to date, the overall judgement must be that the international financial structure survived the shock at least passably well.

There were no major insolvencies, although some firms sought additional capital from existing parents or by merger, and most markets, for all but relatively short periods, remained open. But this assessment is only tentative.

Jordan and Iraq to set up joint company

AMMAN, Feb 22, (Ku): Jordan and Iraq had decided to establish a joint company for chemical detergents with a capital of 8 million Iraqi dinars (\$8 million).

An involuntary brake on imports, and where relevant a boost to non-traditional manufactured exports, was applied in most Arab countries by the decline of the trade-weighted value of their currencies as the US dollar weakened, but some took additional action through administrative controls on imports or further currency devaluations.

Imports

Services imports were also reduced in certain countries as more technical and engineering work was entrusted to local concerns, and Arab expatriate workers were seen to step up the pace of their remittances in response to more realistically priced exchange rates and other incentive schemes.

Projects

The company's articles of association were signed by Jordan's Minister of Trade and Industry Hamdi Al Tabba and his Iraqi counterpart, Hatem Abdul Rashid.

To be based in Baghdad, the company will engage in the finance and purchase of accessories for industrial projects in the two countries and supervise manufacture and marketing of chemical detergents.

World Business Summary

Dollar likely to shoot up later this year

A PROMINENT financial expert has said the dollar may shoot up later this year and the Wall Street stock market to maintain its yo-yo-like movement for a while. Gold is likely to hover between \$435-450 an ounce for several months, according to Khalid Abul Saad who made the forecasts in an interview published yesterday in a Kuwaiti daily. The dollar, he said, retained a semblance of stability in the past two weeks, fetching about 130 yens, KDO.277 and 1.7 deutsche mark.

The greenback is likely to stick to those levels for several months but is expected to climb up to 135 yens, 1.75 dm and KDO.280, said Abul Saad. On the Wall Street market, he predicted the Dow Jones industrial index which, since the Black Monday, has swung between 1850 and 2000-plus points, would continue to do so before it retains stability.

However, he noted that industrial stocks on the US British and German markets are now undervalued and the time is ripe for investors — not speculators — to take long positions since many of those stocks are priced at less than their book value.

The bullion market has had its ups and downs in recent months as gold slipped \$40 or so per ounce before it rebounded to \$445 due to "monetary reasons," the financial expert said. He attributed the drop to oversupply believed coming from the Soviet Union and optimistic forecasts about low inflation in the industrial countries along with improved demand for bonds. Silver has noticeably kept pace with gold, he noted.

The KD interest rates were relatively low due to abundant liquidity in the Kuwaiti banks, according to Abul Saad. But he noted that interest rates on treasury bills (in the neighborhood of seven per cent) is fairly profitable for a guaranteed investment instrument.

Oil discovery confirmed

WELLINGTON, February 22, (Xinhua): The discovery of New Zealand's largest oil field in January last year was confirmed by successful testing of a third appraisal well just recently completed. The Kupe South field, situated some 35 kilometres offshore from Flaxera (North Island) in the South Taranaki Bight, is now believed to be a closure containing more than the anticipated 60 million barrels of recoverable oil and gas condensate, together with 300 billion cubic feet of recoverable gas. The exact flow potential of the reservoir is yet to be determined by further appraisal drills.

The oil produced out of three drill stem tests recently completed through the pay zone in the Kupe South No.3 appraisal well on the eastern flank of the field is a waxy, light crude similar to that produced in the previous two wells, while the gas in the reservoir is very rich in higher order hydrocarbons, which provide condensates (light oil) and LPG's (liquefied petroleum gas).

Announcing the results at a press conference in Wellington yesterday, representatives of the New Zealand Oil and Gas Limited/oil fields NL group noted that the Kupe South field formed only one of a number of potential oil and gas traps situated on a north-south accumulation into the onshore area to the north.

The most notable of the other prospecting targets was the Rua prospect lying adjacent to Kupe South on its southern side, and the Tora prospect due north of Kupe South, only 15 kilometres offshore. Each of these prospects had the potential to yield substantially larger reserves than the Kupe South field.

Turkey to liberalise economy

IZMIR, Turkey, Feb 22, (Reuter): Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said today his policy of economic liberalisation was the only way to raise Turkey to the level of Western Europe. "We will not abandon the pursuit of a liberal economic order. Such an order is the only way that will bring Turkey to the level of European countries," he told a meeting of the ruling Motherland Party in the western city of Izmir.

Ozal, a conservative, has set full Turkish membership of the European Economic Community (EEC) as a major foreign policy goal. He has been under attack for an inflation rate which hit an annual rate of nearly 60 per cent last month, a widening budget deficit and mounting debts. "Our political rivals must come to their senses and announce openly that they favour a liberal economy, otherwise it will be impossible for them to come to power," he said.

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WORLD STOCK MARKETS

LONDON
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(LARGE STOCKS)

NAME	LAST	CLOSE	OPEN	NAME	CLOSE	OPEN	NAME	CLOSE	OPEN
ABBEY LFE	246.0	246.0	246.0	ABERY LFE	365.0	365.0	BERKSHIRE	156.0	157.0
ALD LYONS	539.0	539.0	539.0	BLURSTON	326.0	326.0	BURGESS	226.0	229.0
ANSTRAN	149.0	149.0	149.0	CALIFORNIA	92.0	92.0	CARLTON	113.0	113.0
ARGYLL GP	188.0	188.0	188.0	CALIFORNIA	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
ASDA HFI	165.0	165.0	165.0	CALIFORNIA	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
A B FOODS	285.0	285.0	285.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BAA PP	103.0	103.0	103.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BTR IND	258.0	258.0	258.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BARCLAYS	428.0	428.0	428.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BASS	795.0	795.0	795.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BEAVER	193.0	193.0	193.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BECHAMS	450.0	450.0	450.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BET ORG	247.0	247.0	247.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BIGG PLC	330.0	330.0	330.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BLUE ARW	95.0	95.0	95.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BLUE CIRC	435.0	435.0	435.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BOC GP	402.0	402.0	402.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BOOTS CO	219.0	219.0	219.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BPI IND	253.0	253.0	253.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BR COMM	285.0	285.0	285.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BR AIRWAY	158.0	158.0	158.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BR AEROSP	352.0	352.0	352.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BR GAS PP	130.0	130.0	130.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
B.P.	245.0	245.0	245.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
B.P. NEW	74.0	74.0	74.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BR TELCOM	242.0	242.0	242.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BRIT OIL	500.0	500.0	500.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BUNZL	167.0	167.0	167.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BURMAH OL	487.0	487.0	487.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
BURTON	223.0	223.0	223.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
CABLE&WIRE	357.2	357.2	357.2	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
CAIRNS VI	243.0	243.0	243.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
CAIRNS VI	386.0	386.0	386.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
COMM UNI	308.2	308.2	308.2	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
CONS GOLD	820.0	820.0	820.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
COURTAULD	308.0	308.0	308.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
DALEGETY	287.0	287.0	287.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
DEE CP	180.5	180.5	180.5	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
DIXONS	188.0	188.0	188.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
ENG CHINA	392.0	392.0	392.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
ENTER OIL	305.0	305.0	305.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
FERRANTI	78.4	78.4	78.4	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
FISONS	249.6	249.6	249.6	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GEN ACCID	840.0	840.0	840.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GEN ELC	153.0	153.0	153.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GLAXO	018.0	018.0	018.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GRANADA	328.0	328.0	328.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GLOBE	136.4	136.4	136.4	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GRAND MET	453.4	453.4	453.4	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GUS A	063.0	063.0	063.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GUARD RYL	873.0	873.0	873.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GUN	312.0	312.0	312.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
GUINNESS	277.0	277.0	277.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
HINNSER A	548.0	548.0	548.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
HANSON	134.0	134.0	134.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
HUKER SID	488.0	488.0	488.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
HUMLEY	104.0	104.0	104.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0
HILLSDOWN	289.0	289.0	289.0	CARLTON	345.0	345.0	CARLTON	250.0	250.0

World Indices

INDEX	LATEST	1/PREV-DAYS/2	PREV-QR	PREV-YR
FT 30 ORD	1396.3	1382.6	1396.4	1373.3
FT 500 SHR	0	987.1	987.1	957.6
FT ALL SHR	0	889.24	887.27	870.22
FT GOV SEC	89.46	89.50	88.76	88.49
FT GOLD MN	263.5	263.7	268.9	302.1
FT MINES F	0	420.90	436.79	450.65
FT OIL	0	1746.3	1763.0	1663.6
FT WLD DLR	121.09	120.01	119.33	115.04
FT WLD STG	102.64	101.96	101.21	90.79
FT WLD LOC	108.72	107.82	107.22	99.08

London Stock Market Report				
U.K. EQUITIES OFF HIGHS AS WALL STREET SLIPS				
LONDON, Feb 22 — EQUITIES WERE FIRER IN LATE TRADING, BUT EASED FROM THEIR EARLIER HIGHS ON PROFIT-TAKING AS WALL STREET EDGED BACK TOWARDS THE DOW 2,000 LEVEL, DEALERS SAID.				
TODAY'S FIRMER TREND CAME AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF A CONFEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRY (CBI) MONTHLY SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL TRENDS, WHICH SHOWED THAT BRITISH INDUSTRY WAS CONTINUING TO SHRUG OFF THE EFFECTS OF LAST OCTOBER'S STOCK MARKET CRASH AND THAT THE U.K. ECONOMY IS STILL GROWING.				
THE FTSE 100 SHARE INDEX AT 1540 GMT WAS UP 16.7 POINTS AT 1,746.5 AFTER A HIGH OF 1,749.2 AT 1447 GMT, WITH VOLUME AT 1500 GMT A MODEST 240 MILN SHARES.				

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

International Bond Highlights

London — The province of Quebec is issuing a 200 mln US \$10 Eurobond due April 7, 1998, paying 9% p.c. and priced at 100-1/2 p.c. Credit Suisse First Boston Ltd said as lead manager. (RTW 1442)

London — BP Capital BV is issuing a 100 mln \$10 Eurobond due April 11, 1993, paying 9-3/4% p.c. and priced at 101-1/2 p.c. lead manager Samuel Montagu said. (RTV 1356)

London — GMAC UK Finance Plc is issuing a 60 mln \$10 Eurobond due Dec 21, 1993, paying 9-3/4% p.c. and priced at 101-1/2 p.c. lead manager Baring Brothers and Co Ltd said. (RTT 0955)

Zurich — Austria's Oesterreichische Postsparkasse is issuing a 120 mln Swiss franc, 10-year, 4-1/2% p.c. bond priced at 100-1/2 p.c. lead manager Handelsbank Nafwest said. (RTUW 1214)

London — Taiyo Sanso Co Ltd is issuing a 50 mln \$10 equity warrant Eurobond due March 17, 1993, paying an indicated coupon of 4-7/8% p.c. and priced at par, lead manager Yamaichi International (Europe) Ltd said. (RTUE 1102)

Interbank Rates

	CALL	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTHS
LDN 8-5/8 3/8	8-13/16 11/16	9-1/4 3/16	
FFT 3-35/65	3-25/35	3-30/40	
PAR 7-1/16 3/16	7-5/16 7/16	7-9/16 11/16	
ZUR 1/8 3/8	1-3/8 1-5/8	1-5/8 1-7/8	
BRX 5.35	6-5/16 5/16	6-3/16 5/16	
RON 10-1/2	10-3/4 11-1/4	10-7/8 11-3/8	
AMS 4-1/8 4-1/4	4-0/0 4-1/8	4-0/0 4-1/8	
TOK 3.250 3125	3.8125 8750	3.7500 8125	
ECU 6.00 6.25	6.18 6.31	6.37 6.50	

Interest Rates

FOLLOWING are the average KD interest rates of local interbank transactions as reported by participants to Central Bank of Kuwait yesterday:

Period	Bid	Offered
1 month	5-1/8	5-9/16
3 months	4-1/16	5-1/2
6 months	5	5-1/2
1 year	5-1/16	5-1/2

BOMBAY

PR CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GNFC	32.50	31	32	MODI ALKALI	--	--
ACC 157.50	156	151	GSFC	103	99	99	ORKAY	22.50	21.50
ANHADIV	--	--	GUJEPET	24.50	--	27	PRAEMATO	27	27
ANHADIVCO	--	--	GHALIOP	88.50	87.50	86	RAYMOND CO	--	--
ANDHRA CEM 10.25	10	9.75	HINDALCO	123	122	120	RAYMONDOL	45	45.50
ANDHRA VLY 143.75	--	--	HYD LAMPS	--	--	--	RELIANCE	96	90
BAJAJ AUTO 405.75	392.50	385	IND ORG	18.50	17.50	18	SPIC	32	31.50
BAR RAYON 155	150	147.50	TINDRAYON	49	48	48.50	STD MILLS	230	230
BON DYING 125	126	123.50	INDROL	176.25	182.50	172.50	STOMEDICAL	--	14.50
BSE INDEX 419.14	426.39	377	ITC	33	31	32	STEELTUBE	20	20
CENTURYSPL 662.50	650	655	ITC CO	--	--	--	TATA PUR	177.50	178.75
COLGATE 195	192.50	191.25	JK 120	--	--	--	TATACHEM	63	61.50
DEEPAKPL 31.50	30	30	JKSYNTH	52.50	60	50	TATAOIL	74	74
DHARCENT	--	--	L AND T	81.50	80.50	78	TELO	360	355
FICON ORG	--	--	MAGNAHARD	--	--	--	UDATOPHOS	--	--
GARHPOLY 78	76	78	MAHINDRA	56	55.50	52	VOLTAS	265	260

FRANKFURT

STOCK	LAST	PR-CLOSE	STOCK	LAST	PR-CLOSE	HITSUB	CP	1190	1160
AEG 216.3	212.5		AIJINMOTO	3420	3440	HITSUB	EL	610	605
ALLIANZ VR 1368.0	1362.0		AKAI ELEC	525	520	HITSUB	EST	2150	2160
BADENMERK 178.0	173.2		AOKI	960	957	HITSUB	RV	604	605
BASF 239.5	232.5		ASAHI GAS	1890	1900	HITSUB	SHI	1650	1660
BAUER 260.5	256.5		ASAHI OPT	580	570	HITSUB	EL	1190	1220
BAYER HYP 336.5	341.5		BANK TOKYO	1520	1520	HICHICON	1350	1320	
BAYER VER 335.0	330.0		BRIDGESTON	1420	1420	HINOH CHM	795	795	
BASF 316.0	305.0		CANON	1060	1050	HIKKO SEC	1960	1880	
BW 530.0	524.5		CASIO COMP	1240	1250	HIP ELEC	2020	2030	
CHENIE-VER 0	120.0		CHUGAI MNG	1710	1690	HIKO KOGAK	307	304	
COMMERZBK 219.7	216.5		CITIZEN W	588	588	HIL OIL	1200	1190	
CONTI GUMM 216.4	210.5		D-ICHI KAN	3190	3190	HIP STEEL	410	408	
DAIMER BEN 672.5	664.5		DAI NIP IK	796	790	HIP YUSEN	559	560	
DEUTSCH BKW 423.0	418.0		DAI NIP PT	2630	2670	HIS MOTOR	825	825	
DLM 306.0	298.0		DAI NIP SC	990	1000	HONURA SEC	3770	3720	
DRESSNER 240.0	235.5		DAI NIP TOG	482.50	500	HONZA CO	1020	1030	
GT BABCOX 154.5	153.5		DAIPECO	810	812	HOTEL BABCOX	1170	1170	
FAZ INDEX 0	440.00		DAIMA H	1770	1778	HOTEL BABCOX	854	850	
GOLDSCHEID 257.0	251.5		DAIMA SEC	2550	2500	PIONEER	2300	2500	
GUTENHOFF 0	0		EBRA MFG	848	855	RENOV	836	838	
HAEPNER 382.0	382.0		ELAISI	2430	2470	RICON	1250	1230	
HOECHST AG 253.4	248.0		FUJITSU	1470	1470	SANKYO	2170	2170	
HOESCH 100.0	99.1		FUJI PHOTO	4080	4050	SEIYU ST	2700	2690	
HORTEN 168.0	165.5		FUJISAWA	2020	2040	SEKISUI PB	1910	1870	
HUSSEL HLD 418.0	407.0		FUJITA CP	736	728	SHARP	979	972	
KALI SALZ 126.8	123.0		HITCHI	1290	1290	SHISEIDO	1740	1730	
KARSTADT 404.8	398.0		HONDA MOT	1450	1460	SONY	4890	4850	
KAUHFOP 366.0	362.5		ISETAN	1450	1470	SUMITOMO	1090	1080	
KLECKE H 92.0	93.0		ITO YOKADO	4310	4300	TAISEI	951	950	
KLECKE W 0	67.5		JAP SYN RY	955	951	TAISHO MRN	1180	1200	
LINDE 572.0	572.0		JAPAN AIR	14000	14200	TAKEDA CH	3120	3090	
LUFTHANSA 140.5	140.0		JAPAN MET	428	425	TEIJIN	780	788	
MAN 158.0	156.5		KAJIMA	1550	1540	TKO NEW IX	38.56	31.90	
MANNESMAN 122.0	119.5		KANSAI EL	2860	2800	TOKIO MRN	2030	2030	
MERCEDES 533.0	526.0		KAO SOAP	1960	1970	TOKYO ELEC	1180	1180	
METALLGES 214.0	210.0		KAWASAKI H	316	312	TOKYO GAS	1010	1010	
NINDORF PF 539.0	520.0		KAWASAKI S	361	361	TOKYO POWR	5750	5550	
NORKS HYD 46.80	45.80		KIRIN BREW	2520	2300	TORAY IND	794	782	
PHILIP KOM 634.0	630.0		KONATSU	613	640	TOSHIBA EL	763	760	
PORSCH 472.5	440.0		KUBATO LTD	580	570	TOTO	2320	2340	
PREUSSAG 122.5	119.8		KYOCERA	5520	5610	TOYO KOGYO	428	430	
PHW 203.5	189.0		MAKITA EL	1840	1850	TOYOTA MOT	2070	2070	
RHEIN P 218.5	216.8		MATSUTA EI						

Opec committed to output quotas

No major changes expected in oil price: Iraq

IRAQI Oil Minister Issam Abdul Rahim predicted in an interview published in a Kuwaiti daily that no sharp decline or rise in oil prices are going to take place during the next stage.

The minister told the newspaper that prices are expected to continue at their current level and said member states of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries are relatively committed by the agreement they concluded on quotas of production.

Position

He admitted, however, that there are still violations of quotas by certain members, but said this phenomenon is limited compared with that which took place in the past.

Answering a question on Iraq's position towards production quotas, Abdul Rahim said his country does not violate the markets.

Policy

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agreement because from the very beginning no quota was set for Iraq.

He added that during the Opec conference which agreed on prices and production, the organisation output ceiling was put at 15.6 million barrels and excluded Iraq from that ceiling.

He further said that Iraq's demand which is an equal quota with that of Iran is a logical one that was accepted by most Opec members.

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this year under its 1988 trade plan.

He said in Baghdad that under the programme new facilities would be extended to Iraqi exporters to encourage them to improve and extend their performance.

The minister, interviewed by the "Al-Thawra" daily, identified the items whose exports were expected to increase as sulphur, phosphate, canned dates, cement, electric appliances and agricultural products, including vegetables, fruit and rice.

He said that the private sector would be given special attention so that it could increase its non-oil export share by 22 per cent this year compared with 1987.

Under the plan, importers would be allowed to import goods without hard currency transfers in a bid to stabilise domestic market prices of basic commodities, Saleh added.

KD2.5 million Kuwait Fund loan for Mali

A LOAN agreement was signed in Bamako yesterday between Mali and the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (Kfaed) whereby the fund will make a loan of KD2.5 million to help finance the village and pastoral water supply project in the Republic of Mali.

According to a press release issued in Kuwait yesterday, by the Kfaed headquarters, a tripartite project planning and administration agreement was also signed in Bamako, the capital of Mali, among the Republic of Mali, Economic Community of West Africa and Kfaed to realise coordination and cooperation among their parties regarding the execution of the project.

Project

The loan and project planning administration agreements were signed on behalf of Mali by Modiba Keita, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, and Drissa Keita, Minister of Industrial Development and Tourism respectively and on behalf of the fund by Bader Mishari Al Humaidhi, director-general of the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development, whereas the project planning and administration agreement was signed also by Mamoud Haidara, the secretary-general of the Economic Community of West Africa.

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HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah, (third left) yesterday met the committee of heads of Arab Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, who are holding a meeting in Kuwait.

Dollar eases and shares firm

LONDON, Feb 22, (Reuters):

Shares values generally firmed today but the dollar drifted lower on market concern about the strength of the US currency's recent recovery, dealers said.

They described business as thin generally on financial markets which lacked any real direction.

Impetus

"There is no major impetus for the rise," a broker said. "It's basically a lack of bad news."

In Tokyo, the US dollar fell slightly, ending at 129.95 yen and 1.7048/53 West German marks against New York's Friday close of 130.1 yen in extremely quiet trading with traders very uncertain about which way the currency is heading.

"People are more interested in whether the stock market is going up or how the winter Olympics are going than they are in the (currency) market," said Masato Nakamura, assistant manager of Sumitomo Bank's treasury department.

Gold was fixed in London this morning at \$445.10 an ounce, 24.846.71 after earlier hitting a peak of 24.949.35. Foreigners,

especially from the United States, were active buyers all day, brokers said.

The market is now less than seven per cent below its all-time peak, reached just before the "Black Monday" stock crash of last October.

Down

"There might be another push this afternoon. It depends what happens when New York opens," said a dealer at a US bank in London.

Shares

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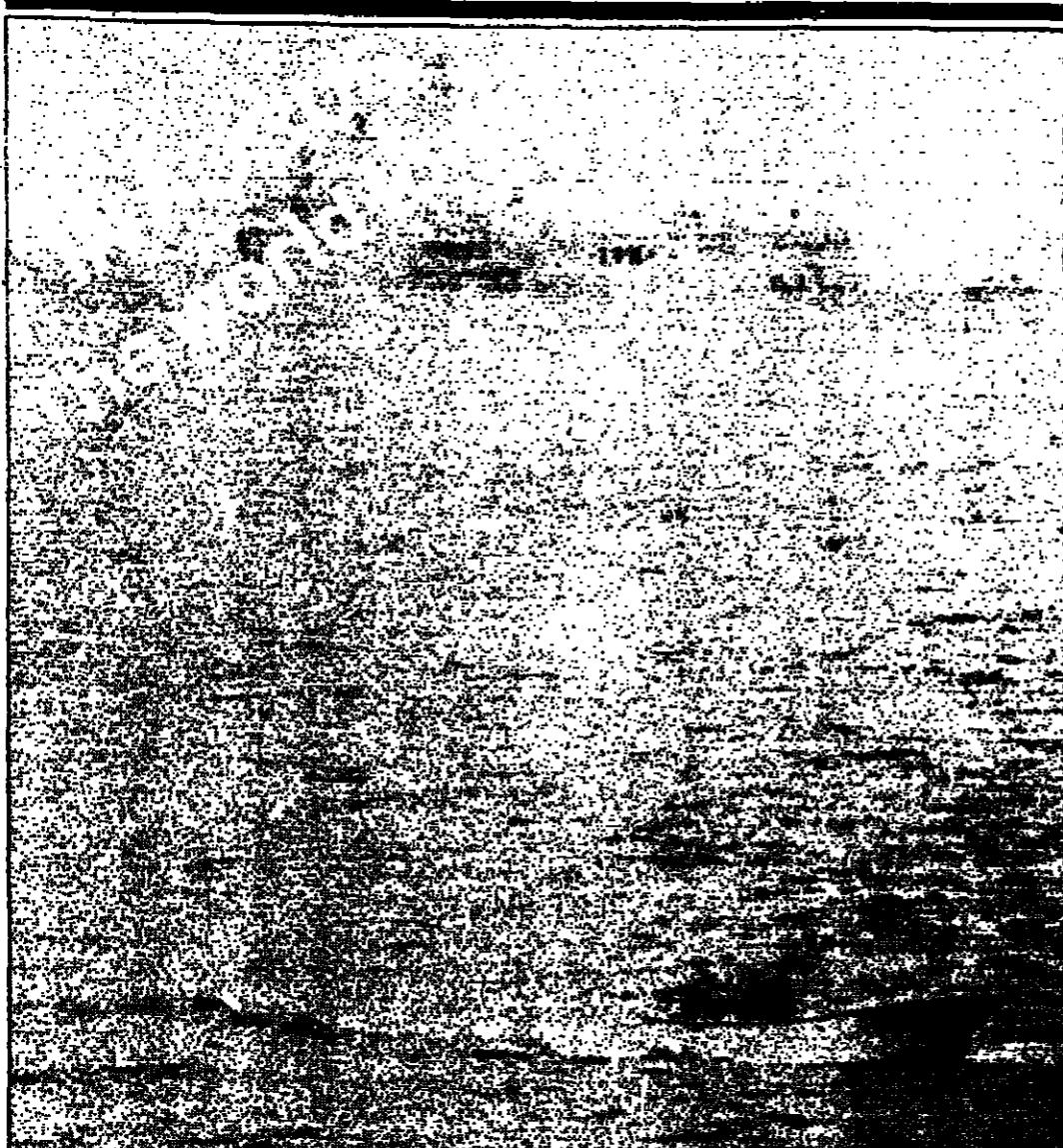
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A SPEEDBOAT carrying four unidentified crewmen moves away from the US frigate 'John A Moore' after it was warned by the US amphibious transport ship 'Trenton' which fired a flare and some warning shots. The boat sped to within 200 metres of the two warships which were escorting the US flag tanker "Gus W Darnell" into the southern Gulf yesterday. (Reuter wirephoto)



FOR those looking for something else to bring friends than just flowers. A West German firm sells these miniature size heads, made by a French artist. The heads are one of the new items currently on display at the Frankfurt Spring Fair. (Reuter wirephoto)



TAIWAN'S new President Lee Teng Hui pledges to lead his nation towards wealth and freedom by the year 2000 at a news conference yesterday. It was the first time a Taiwan president has freely answered journalists' questions. (Reuter wirephoto)



A MAN tries to cross a street that has been flooded by the heavy rains which have once again fallen on the Rio de Janeiro area. The rains have caused some 200 deaths, thousands of injuries and have left more than 15,000 homeless. (Reuter wirephoto)



EGYPTIAN Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Maguid (right) shakes hands with Marrack Goulding, the United Nations envoy in Cairo yesterday. Goulding's visit to Egypt is part of a regional tour to discuss the Middle East peace process. (Reuter wirephoto)



ARRESTED Palestinians, almost all with blindfolds around their heads, are made to place their heads down in a bus after soldiers rounded up and arrested 23 Palestinians in a dawn raid on Sunday. (Reuter wirephoto)



EGYPTIAN construction workers build scaffolds to the Sphinx to restore a slab which fell off the 5,000-year-old monument on Feb 7. A special committee of Egyptian and foreign archaeologists will decide on restoration procedures for the fallen part and other weak areas of the Sphinx's neck and left shoulder. (Reuter wirephoto)



CHIEH Chi-Yuan, 29, is flown to Taipei from the southern city of Kaohsiung yesterday after being arrested for an attempted hijack of a China Airlines plane. (Reuter wirephoto)



SURVIVORS from the South Korean fishing boat 'Dong Chung 3' cling to their upturned life raft in high seas, 50 km west of New Zealand's North Island on Sunday, as Royal Australian Navy training ship 'Jervis Bay' moves in to rescue them. Three fishermen are missing, presumed drowned. (Reuter wirephoto)



AN Egyptian man guides a donkey cart laden with the body of an old Ford truck on a winding road near Cairo while a mechanic leans against the rusty windshield. The two men will dump the body in a scrap yard on the outskirts of Cairo. (Reuter wirephoto)



DEAF and mute US actress Marlee Matlin gestures as she 'talks' to a handful of journalists in a West Berlin hotel yesterday. Matlin, who won an Oscar for her role in 'Children of a Lesser God' is in West Berlin to present her latest movie 'Walker'. (Reuter wirephoto)

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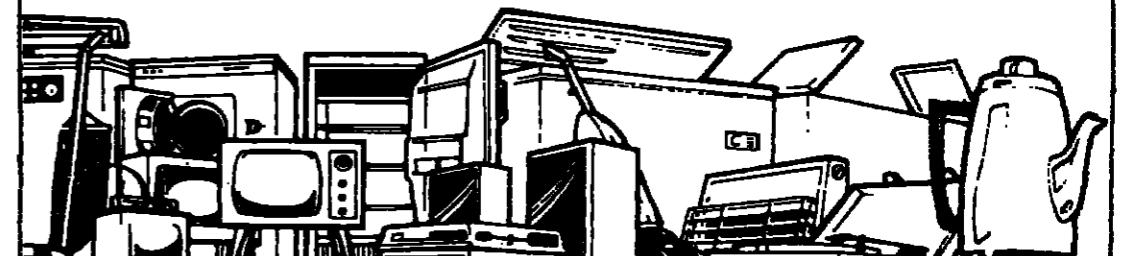
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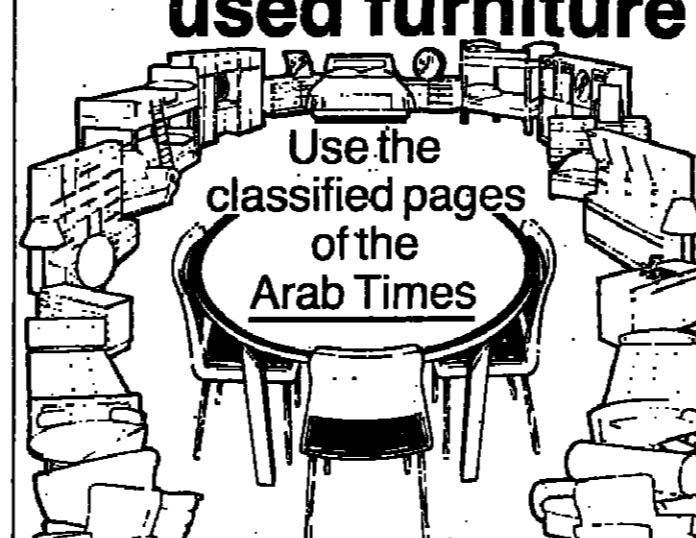
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Polish hockey player banned for 18 months

WARSAW, Feb 22 (Reuters): Polish ice hockey player Jaroslaw Morawiecki, banned for 18 months after a positive dope test at the Winter Olympics, was quoted today as saying he had never taken drugs and did not even know what they looked like.

Morawiecki was automatically banned after failing a dope test following Poland's 6-2 win over France last Thursday.

Officials said Morawiecki had been using the banned substances testosterone and epitestosterone.

Assure

"I assure you I have never taken drugs. I have never even seen what they look like. I always avoid all kinds of medication," Morawiecki said in an interview with the Communist Party newspaper *Trybuna Ludu*.

He added that this teammates, despite the humiliation of being stripped of the two points they had won, had supported him after the incident.

"They are not against me. They cheer me up at every step," Morawiecki said.

Team doctor Jerzy Widuchowski echoed the shock of Polish Olympic officials and mentioned suspicions of outside involvement.

Various

"Before our match in the Corral Sports Arena we found many things left over by the figure skaters. In the kitchen there were many people and various things used by other people. What happened resulted from the conscious involvement of third parties," Widuchowski was quoted as saying in *Trybuna Ludu*.

He gave no further details, but added: "I can assure you we would never use dope. It is also impossible that anyone as disciplined as the hockey players would deliberately take a forbidden drug."

Meanwhile, the Polish Ice Hockey Union also expressed surprise.

Deduced

A spokeswoman told Reuters in Warsaw: "This is incredible. It must have been a mistake. Something of this sort has never occurred among hockey players and is rare on the Polish sports scene in general."

Poland were deducted the two points gained for the win, a ruling that ended their hopes of reaching the medal round of the Olympic tournament.

Soviet hockey stars to play in America

CALGARY, Feb 22, (Reuters): Soviet stars could make history by playing in North America's National Hockey League (NHL) this year, a senior ice hockey official said yesterday.

Alan Eagleson, executive director of the NHL Players Association, said Soviet ice hockey officials were pursuing the plan as part of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's policy of perestroika (reconstruction) and glasnost (openness).

Eagleson told a news conference that after the Winter Olympics the Soviet Ice Hockey Federation would supply a list of players to be allowed to play in the NHL.

Anxious

"They are anxious for currency and they realise there is a lot of money for the federation," Eagleson said.

Each player could earn between \$150,000 and 200,000 for the Federation, which would also receive a large proportion of their salaries, he added.

Eagleson said NHL President John Ziegler and Soviet officials were holding talks in Calgary during the Winter Olympics.

"I think prior to the 1988-89 season, you can be assured there will be Soviet players with NHL clubs," he said.

The New Jersey Devils already have an option on Soviet captain Viacheslav Fetisov and his partner in defence, Alexei Kasatonov, who starred in Wednesday's 7-5 win over the US. Eagleson said.

Comes out

"They know we want them, but we have to see what comes out of these talks," Lamoriello said.

Eagleson said that if the pair were allowed to join the Devils, they would first return to the Soviet Union to resign from the Red Army.

He said the size of salaries for Soviet players joining the NHL was a matter for the clubs, but

FIRST FRENCH OLYMPIC TITLE IN 20 YEARS

Piccard races to super-giant slalom victory

CALGARY, Feb 22, (Reuters): French Piccard mastered a treacherous super-giant slalom yesterday to race away with the first French Olympic men's Alpine skiing title since Jean-Claude Killy's treble 20 years ago.

Piccard, bronze medallist in the downhill on last Monday, managed to dodge the disasters that befell most of the major favourites.

Upsets

Heimut Mayer of Austria and Lars Boerje Eriksson of Sweden, never considered to be in the running for medals, captured silver and bronze respectively in a race of upsets.

Switzerland's downhill gold medallist Pirmin Zurbriggen, starting after five of the top 15 seeds had already come to grief, kept on track but finished out of the medals, joint fifth after 45 of 100 scheduled starters had run.

In 1964, Franck Piccard's parents named their first born after Frank Sinatra.

Slight but solid, dark and retiring, Piccard is the eldest of seven children. The entire family took

up ski racing but it was he who stood out early on and became world junior downhill champion in 1982.

Weighed down by the unwanted tag 'the future Killy' and suffering from back problems throughout his career, Piccard took longer than Zurbriggen or Wasmeier — all-round skiers he admires and models himself on — to fulfil his promise.

Recorded

He recorded his first top-three finishes only this season, coming third in a World Cup downhill in bad Kleinkirchheim, Austria, and second in a super-G Val D'Isere, not far from his home village of Les Saisies in the French Alps.

Then came his second Olympics at Calgary were Piccard said he wanted to have fun and enjoy the games but when he found himself going well in downhill

training, he began to take matters more seriously.

Despite winning the bronze medal in the downhill, it was his failure in the combined event — failing to finish the slalom section — which spurned Piccard on to his super-G victory.

Revenge

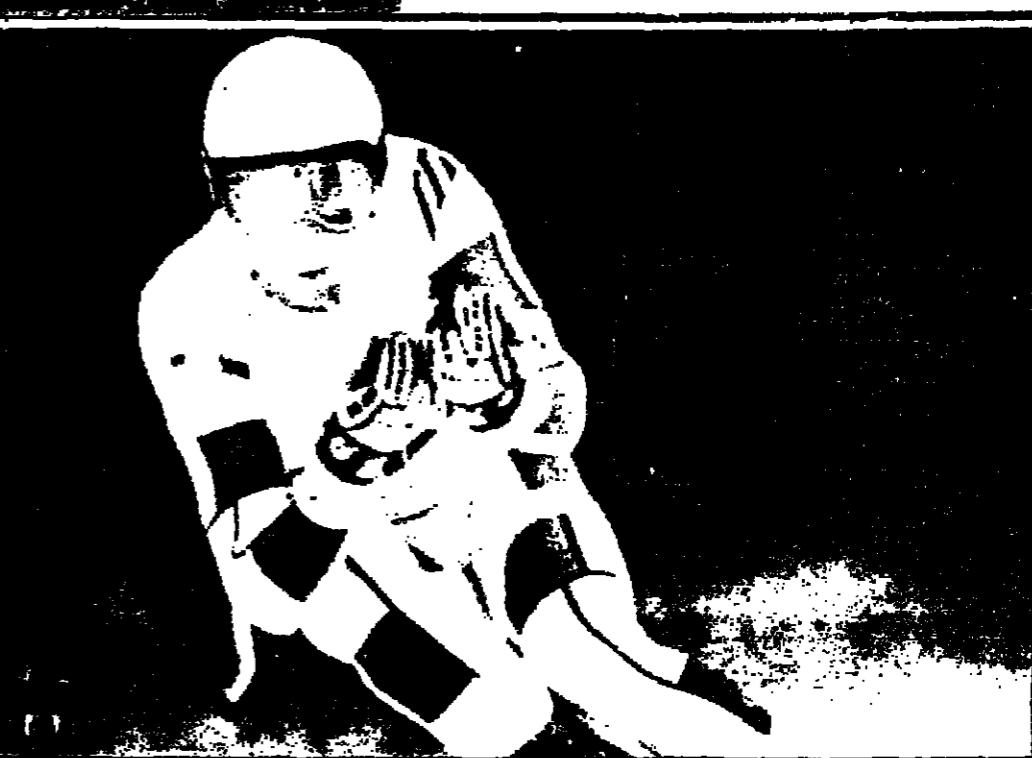
He won almost despite himself.

"I wanted to take revenge for the combination," he said. "But I was wide in the turns and I was really angry with the mistakes I made."

The gold was the first won by a Frenchman since Jean-Claude Killy's glorious triple Alpine success at the 1968 Olympics.

Twenty years later, it was clearly time France had another very good year, as Sinatra might have sung.

Or perhaps Calgary is simply Piccard's kind of town.



Franck Piccard takes a turn during his race to victory. (Reuters wirephoto)

First individual to claim double title in Calgary Games

Gustafson wins second gold medal

CALGARY, Feb 22, (Reuters): Tomas Gustafson was as low as he could go two years ago, but yesterday after winning his second Olympic gold he was moved to poetry.

Gustafson became the first individual to claim two golds when he added the 10,000 metres title to this 5,000-metre speed skating crown with a world record performance.

Clipped

His time of 13 minutes 48.20 seconds clipped 0.31 of a second off the previous best mark set by Norwegian Geir Karlistad on the same Olympic oval track in December. It was the third world record of the competition.

Asked after his 5,000 metres speed skating triumph on Wednesday to describe his joy, the convivial Swede said: "I'd have to write a poem."

Yesterday, Gustafson made it

double-gold in 10,000 metres world record time. This time he was prepared.

The Bard of Eskilstuna recited: "Some say we have to sweat. But Oh, they must forget, how nice it is to lay in the sun. Oh, I want to have some fun."

After his recent bitter string of disasters, the Swede just wants to have fun.

Down

Gustafson grabbed at glory four years ago when he won a gold and silver at the Sarajevo Games. With the world championships following straight away in Gothenburg he put off celebrations.

Luck

A recent incident reassured him his luck had turned.

"I almost lost my gold medal from Sarajevo," he said. "Someone burgled my house — but they left my medal," he said with a huge grin.

Patience

Patience and determination paid off for the European champion, who carefully prepared for a peak performance in Calgary.

Final

Gustafson said he would miss next month's world championships and have that long overdue celebration.

Twenty-eight of the 41 sleds had already completed the run before a Soviet protest prompted the interruption. Their times, slowed by the gritty ice, will not count.

But if that was not possible because of conditions the medals would be awarded on the times from Saturday's first two runs, he added.

Soviet World Cup champion Janis Kipurs leads after Saturday's first two runs, 0.04 of a second ahead of East German driver Wolfgang Hoppe and Bernhard Lehmann, gold and silver medallists respectively in both the two and four-man-bobs.

"They will probably be players who are in the 32-34 age group, who are past their best."

Possibility

As well as the possibility of Soviet players joining the NHL, the Calgary talks have also drawn up a provisional plan under which two NHL teams would train in the Soviet Union in 1989 and play several games against top Soviet clubs.

The Russians have also agreed to send two teams to North America in December 1989 and two more in January 1990 to play NHL clubs, though the NHL is still to decide whether these games would count in the League standings.

125 athletes to compete in road race

LONDON, Feb 22, (UPI): A record 39 countries and 125 athletes will be competing in the world's 15-kilometre road race championship for women in Adelaide, Australia on Sunday, March 20 1988, the International Amateur Athletic Federation said today.

The race, which takes place just five months after the 1987 race in Monaco, marks the sixth staging of the world road race championship for women — the first two championships in 1983 and 1984 were staged over 10 kilometres.

The championship starts at 09:00 hrs and Ingri Kristiansen of Norway is expected to defend her 15 kilometres World Championship title, which she won in a world best time of 47 minutes 17 seconds last November in Monaco.

Portugal is the defending team champion.

Seven countries will be sending

athletes to this competition for the first time: Kenya, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Paraguay, Sri Lanka, Yemen Arab Republic and Zaire.

Atletico were held 1-1 at Real Betis while third-placed Real Sociedad beat Espanol 1-0. Portuguese international Paulo Futre set up Atletico's equaliser for Julio Salinas after Jose

McLennan had put Betis ahead.

Jose Bakero headed Real Sociedad's winner against Espanol — his 15th goal of the season.

Dull

In West Germany, Werder Bremen's dull restart to serious soccer action was overshadowed by the resignation of Cologne coach Udo Lattek.

Two goals from Mexican striker Hugo Sanchez highlighted the victory only three days after a 4-0 mauling by Real Sociedad in the semifinals of the Spanish Cup.

The former Bayern Munich coach announced his immediate departure to take up a new career as a sports columnist with the mass-circulation Bild newspaper on the morning of their 2-2 draw at struggling Bochum.

The dropped point cost

Cologne second place as Bayern Munich 2-1 winners at Waldhof Mannheim, moved up from third to second spot four points behind the leaders Werder Bremen.

Cologne took an early lead

through Stefan Engels, but goals

from Lothar Staub and Uwe

Leifeld put Bochum ahead

before former England striker Tony Woodcock saved a point for Cologne with a late equaliser.

"We're still the indisputable

leaders. The five goals proved we

knew how to react to the heated

atmosphere of the last few days."

Sanchez's goals took his tally

for the season to 21. Miguel Tendillo, Michel Gonzalez and Manu

el Sanchez scored the other

Madrid goals as they moved five

points clear of city rivals Atletico

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Liverpool to meet Manchester City in FA Cup quarterfinals

LONDON, Feb 22, (AP): Liverpool's chances of clinching the English League and Cup double for the second time in three years were boosted today when it was drawn to play Second Division Manchester City in the FA Cup quarterfinals.

The Manchester club will have home advantage and the incentive of a capacity 30,000 crowd for the game on March 13 despite the presence of the television cameras, screening it live to the nation.

Spectators

There will probably be even more spectators at Highbury where Arsenal and Nottingham Forest, joint second favourites for the trophy behind Liverpool, clash the day before.

Arsenal put out Manchester United in the fifth round last Saturday and will be setting again for the biggest clash of the

round.

Both Arsenal and Forest are in the top four in the First Division but while the North London team is aiming to reach Wembley on two fronts this season — it is a semifinalist in the Littlewoods Cup — Forest manager Brian Clough is still awaiting his first appearance at the home of English soccer.

The luck was once more against Clough's young, inexperienced but vastly entertaining side, drawn away for the 10th successive time in Cup competitions.

But its striker Paul Wilkinson, recalling his team's League victory at Arsenal this season, said: "I know it's a tough tie but I see no reason to change my mind."

In the other two matches, Wimbledon was rewarded for its 3-1 victory at Newcastle on Saturday with a home tie against

Watford or Third Division Port Vale, who replay tomorrow.

If Watford as expected eliminates the Third Division club, it will guarantee at least one team from the capital reaching the semifinals.

Luton Town, already in the semifinals of the Littlewoods Cup, and Queens Park Rangers were both given huge incentive for winning their fifth round replay on Wednesday.

The victor will have home advantage against Portsmouth in the last of the quarterfinal pairings.

Draw

The draw for the quarterfinals of the English Football Association (FA) Cup was made today as follows:

Arsenal v Nottingham Forest; Wimbledon v Port Vale or Watford

SECOND VIRGINIA SLIMS VICTORY

Navratilova crushes Savchenko

OAKLAND, California, Feb 22, (UPI): Martina Navratilova needed just 62 minutes yesterday to crush Larisa Savchenko of the Soviet Union, 6-1, 6-2, and capture the \$250,000 Virginia Slims of California.

The victory followed Navratilova's Virginia Slims triumph last week in Dallas and was worth \$50,000 to the world's No. 2-ranked woman player.

Vaulted

Savchenko, 21, ranked 24th in the world, had vaulted to the final with upset victories over seventh-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez, No. 3 Hana Mandlikova and No. 2 Gabriela Sabatini. Navratilova, however, beat Savchenko for the third time in as many meetings.

The triumph also was Navratilova's fourth in the San Francisco-area tournament. She had reached the final in this

year's event with victories over Stephanie Reiher, Wendy Turnbull, sixth-seeded Natalia Zvereva and defending champion and fourth-seeded Zina Garrison.

Navratilova jumped to 3-0 lead in the first set, breaking Savchenko in the second game, before the Soviet held at love in the fourth game. It was the only game Savchenko would win in the set.

"My game plan was to put a lot of pressure on her and force the action," Navratilova said. "She was playing back, as she did against Sabatini, and I couldn't let that happen to me. I had to get the first serve in."

Deuce

The toughest game for Navratilova in the first set was the sixth, when Savchenko, at 40-15, was broken to deuce four times. Navratilova got her only

advantage point on a forehand smash and followed with a cross-court passing backhand for a 5-1 margin. She then served out the set with her third ace.

"Most of the time, I played the ball right, but Martina played it even better," said Savchenko, speaking through an interpreter.

"She played to a higher level."

In the second set, Savchenko lost her service by double-faulting on the final point of the first game. Navratilova, down love-40 in the second game, needed two deuce points to hold serve, forcing her opponent to hit a forehand service return over the baseline. She followed with a passing backhand shot for the game.

That two-game advantage stretched to three when Savchenko lost her serve again on two deuce points, double-faulting at ad and hitting a backhand volley long to trail 4-1.



Navratilova: triumph

Cantt and Green Star gain victories

IN the semifinals of Cantt Challenge Cup cricket tournament played on last Friday at Rumeithiya ground, Cantt CC beat Sialkot and Green Star beat Rising Star.

In first match Cantt CC batted first and scored 150 for 8 wickets in 30 overs. Their top scorers were Shahid (36) Siraj (27) Shariq (23) and Amjad (22). For Sialkot Arshad and Fawad got two wickets each.

In reply Sialkot scored 150 in 30 overs but they lost their all wickets. Farood (44) and Shabbir (22) were the main scorers.

For Cantt Amjad bowled well and took 4 wickets. Sharif got 2 wickets while Waheed and Zahid got 1 wicket each. So according to the wickets a average Cantt CC won the match.

In second match Green Star batted first and scored 219 runs in 30 overs. Their top scorers were Amjad (71) Ghulam (40) Iqbal (34) and Khalid (31). In reply Rising Star could only manage to score 82 runs and they were all out.

Only Sabah played with responsibility and scored 20 runs. For Green Star Amjad took 4 wickets while Aziz got 3 wickets. Cantt CC will meet Green Star in the final on next Friday at same ground.

Soon after the final there will be prize distribution ceremony.

Punjab beat Morning Star

PUNJAB Cricket Club (Farwaniya) beat Morning Star Cricket Club by 29 runs of the Paksarhad tournament in the airport road ground on Friday.

Punjab CC (Farwaniya) winning the toss and decided to bat first and their openers Arif and Anwar Minhas put on 20 runs for the first wicket.

Punjab CC (F) piled on 154 runs in their allotted 25 overs, with the excellent partnership of Amer Aslam and Anwar Khan was not out of 33 runs Amer Aslam was the top scorer of 57 with 8 fours and one six. Arif hit 18 runs Tahseen 29 runs.

In reply Morning Star CC were in trouble soon against the Punjab CC bowling and were all out 125 in the allotted 25 overs. Ijaz and Lala make 36 and 23 runs.

From Punjab CC (F) excellent bowler Amjad Minhas took 5 wickets. Taseen and Anwar Khan took one wicket each and Javed Hayat took 3 wickets.

Crown wins

CROWN Cricket Club thrashed Social Cricket Club by 64 runs at airport Millat ground in the Quaid-e-Millat trophy.

Crown captain won the toss and elected to bat. Crown batsman hammered 199 runs for the loss of 4 wickets in allotted 25 overs.

Crown's opening batsman Zaheer was out in the very first over, after that Ashraf joined with Suhail to score magnificently second wicket partnership of 153 runs. Then Suhail was out having 62 fine score.

Ashraf saved one side giving an exhibition of some powerful drives to top score with unbeaten century of 114 runs.

In reply Social makes 135 runs for the loss of 7 wickets in allotted 25 overs. Their three batsmen faked Crown bowling line, Sydney, Oberoi and Danny took 24, 37 and 53 respectively, are main scorers.

Crown main wicket taker was Khuzaima who made some fine deliveries and immaculate line and length of great bowling figure in 5 over, 16 runs and captured 3 wickets.

Entries for Kuwait Rally received

By Gall Seery

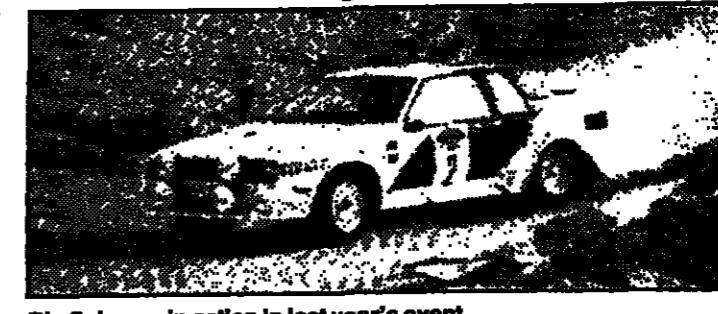
ENTRIES are now being received for Kuwait's ninth International Rally to be held on March 17 and 18. Some twenty-two drivers have already entered, and others are expected. Of these the principal entries are from Ahmed Al Hilal and Qatari Ahmed Al Mousawi.

Al Hilal, who is currently driving in the Masafi Rally in Dubai in a works Mitsubishi Pajero, in the same team as Saeed Al Hajri, is currently national champion, sponsored by Rothmans.

In addition to the drivers listed below, entries are certainly expected from Marlboro's Mohammed Bin Sulayem, the current Middle East champion, from Saeed Al Hajri, his long term rival and from Lebanese champion Michel Saleh.

Again, local drivers Tareq Al Wazzan and Eid Falah, both backed by Marlboro, are expected to participate in the two day event which is the highspot of the Kuwait Motorsport year. Ottmar Lange, Kuwait's ex-B seed driver also hopes to enter his Nissan 240RS. This will be his first outing since last year's International Rally.

The rally will comprise of six stages in all. On the first day, car number one — probably the Toyota Celica Twincam Turbo



Bin Sulayem in action in last year's event.

driven by Mohammed Bin Sulayem — will leave the SAS hotel at 3 pm. Stages one to three will be covered before the first service break at 5.29 pm. Then the cars will cover the same three stages again before heading back to the SAS by around 11 pm.

On leg two, three different stages will be covered a total of three times, with the lead car expected to arrive back at the SAS Hotel at 5.15 pm. The stages are in Atrai, Khuwaisat, Doha, Maqwa and Sulaiya.

The rally is expected to be closely fought by the works teams. Saeed Al Hajri will be hoping for a win in order to prove his new Rothmans Audi Quattro. Bin Sulayem won here in 1985, and lost by a frustrating 27 seconds last year after damaging the Toyota's steering. In the recent Qatar Rally Al Hajri led into the final stages, but suffered a puncture which cost him the

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HCC declared winners on a better run rate against Capri in a Winner's trophy match played at the Ahmad Governorate ground.

Capri who were edged out by Kokar earlier were looking for their first win in the tournament but victory eluded them this time perhaps due to poor planning.

Capri batted first after winning the toss and opened with Adnan and Zia. The first wicket fell at 32 when Zia was bowled by Saleem for 13.

Enjoyed

Adnan who enjoyed a number of charmed lives thrived dangerously but kept attacking the HCC bowlers. He was given good support by Hamid (18), Raju (10) and Irfan (11) as he sailed along merrily.

It looked like he would complete his century but Ashfaq who bowled the last over of the innings got his scalp when Adnan was 7 short and off the last ball, bowled Sarfaraz. Capri had scored 186 for 6.

Apart from Ashfaq who got 2 wickets for no runs, Saleem, Remy and Masood got one wicket each.

HCC in reply opened with Masood and Remy. Masood attacked the Capri bowlers with gusto and got the runs at the required rate. Remy (2) was run out and soon Ejaz (0) was bowled by Shabir, but such was Masood's dominance that he crossed his 50 when the total was 65.

However Masood was run out.

Royal crush Quaid-e-Millat

By Riaz Chaudhry

IN the one-sided match of Morning Star trophy at airport-Hijra ground on Friday afternoon Royal Club easily defeated Quaid-e-Millat Club (QMCC) by seven wickets. After winning the toss QMCC elected to bat but the decision did not pay as they were restricted to just 145 runs in allotted 25 overs after having lost nine wickets.

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Golden Stars win

GOLDEN Stars beat Young

Stars in a friendly match played at church ground. Golden Stars batted first and scored 138 runs in 25 overs for the loss of 7 wickets.

Main scores were Ismail 25, Yasin 22 and Ansar 22. In reply Young Stars bundled out for 70 runs in just 15 overs. Main wicket takers were Khalid 4 wickets, Anil Varma and Ansar 2 wickets each.

Gladly

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HCC as the at the end of their 22

overs Capri had made 119 runs only.

For Capri Shabir took 2 for 34 and Irfan Nasir and Zia took one each. It was sad for Adnan whose fine effort was wasted.

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